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DEDICATED TO



REV. G. M. WATSON

Rev. Watson was born at Stony Fork, Watauga County, N. C. on December 18, 1896. He made a profession of faith in Christ in August 1912 and joined Middle Cove Baptist Church. Later moved his membership to Mt. Paran Baptist Church. He was married to Miss Lester Miller on May 17, 1917, and was ordained to the Gospel Ministry on August 3, 1918 at Mt. Paran Baptist Church.

Rev. Watson served as pastor of the following churches: Pleasant Hill, Elk, Rocky Springs, Rock View, Glendale Springs and Mt. Ephraim Baptist Churches. He served over 20 years as a ministry of the Gospel and several years as Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer of Stony Fork Association. His going away will be greatly felt by a host of friends.

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS TUESDAY MORNING

9:00-9:15	Devotional ✓
9:15-9:30	Organization Election of Officers ✓
9:30-9:45	Address of Moderator ✓
9:45-10:00	Recognition and Roll Call ✓
10:00-10:30	<i>Open door for new members</i> Sunday School and Vacation B. S. ✓
10:30-11:00	Hospitals ✓
11:00-12:00	Annual Sermon ✓

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00-1:15	Devotional ✓
1:15-1:30	Home for Aging ✓
1:30-1:45	Orphanage ✓
1:45-2:00	Relief and Annuity ✓
2:00-2:30	<i>Christian</i> Schools and Colleges ✓
2:30-3:00	Missions ✓
3:00-3:30	B. T. U. or Christian Training ✓

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

9:00-9:15	Devotional ✓
9:15-9:30	Duties of Pastors and Churches ✓
9:30-9:45	W. M. U. ✓
9:45-10:15	Temperance ✓
10:15-10:45	Religious Literature ✓
10:45-11:00	General Discussion ✓
11:00-12:00	

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00-1:15	Devotional ✓
1:15-1:30	Digest of Letters ✓
1:30-1:45	Obituaries ✓
1:45-2:00	Treasurer's Report ✓
2:00-2:15	Finance Report ✓
2:15-2:30	Associational Missionary Report ✓
2:30-2:45	Place and Preacher ✓
2:45-3:00	Resolutions Report ✓
3:00-3:30	Executive Report ✓

Adjourn

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Officers

Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator ----- Hayes, N. C.
 Rev. W. J. Cook, Vice Moderator ----- Rt. 1, Boone, N. C.
 J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk ----- Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Miss Winifred Hampton, Treasurer ----- Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.

Associational Directors

Sunday Schools: N. L. Harrison, Blowing Rock and Mrs. R. L. Waters,
 Blowing Rock.

Hospitals: Rev. W. J. Cook, Rt. 1, Boone.

Orphanage: Frank Craig, Rt. 3, Boone.

Home for the Aging: J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock.

Schools and Colleges: W. M. Brown, Blowing Rock.

Associational Missionary: Rev. Carson Eggers, Blowing Rock, Rt. 1.

Associational Training Union Director: Rev. W. T. Brackett, Rutherford
 College.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The pastor and two lay members from each church will constitute the executive committee along with the associational officers. (Some of the churches did not report their representatives in time to be included in the minutes).

Bailey Camp: L. O. Tolbert and Veron Bolick.

Boones Fork: J. M. Coffey, C. E. Coffey and Hardin Coffey.

Doe Ridge: *Wade Moretz Kenneth Brown*

Hartley Hill: Horace Lee and A. B. McDonald.

Laurel Fork: Clark Storie and Billy Miller.

Laytown: Ronda Dillard and Fritz Dula.

Long Ridge:

Mt. Ephriam: Olen Miller and Virgil Cox.

Mt. Paron:

Mt. Vernon: Dayton Cook and Allen Beach.

Mt. View:

New Hopewell: Odell Coffey and Benson Coffey.

Rock Springs: R. C. Woods, Colen Woods.

Rock View:

Sandy Flay: Frank Craig and R. L. Waters.

Watauga: Otha Andrews and Ronda Aldridge.

Yellow Hill: Coy Church, Rufus Church and Lee Cornett.

Committee to Report 1957

Sunday Schools ----- N. L. Harrison and Mrs. Lynn Waters
 Hospitals *aphenage* ----- W. J. Cook
 N. C. Homes for the Aging ----- J. Merritt Coffey
 Missions ----- Carson Eggers
 Woman's Missionary Union ----- Mrs. Lynn Waters
 Baptist Training Union ----- Miss Winifred Hampton
 Relief and Annuity ----- Allen Beach
 Duties of the Pastors and Churches *Carson E.* Coy N. Church +
 Temperance ----- Benson Coffey
 Religious Literature ----- Ronda Dillard +
 Treasurer and Finance Report ----- Miss Winifred Hampton
 Obituaries *Mrs. Merritt Coffey* ----- Colen Woods +
 Digest of Letters ----- J. Merritt Coffey
 Place and Preacher ----- I. H. Henderson
 Resolutions *Allen Beach* ----- Vernon Bolick +

Note: Please read your minutes and bring or mail your report to the clerk before the next annual session. Please have your report type written.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Lonnie Carlton, Triplett, N. C.
 Rev. Dallas Watson, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. Johnny Green, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. W. J. Cook, Rt. 1, Boone, N. C.
 Rev. W. M. Brown, Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Rev. Theo Hendrix, Hayes, N. C.
 Rev. Ben Triplett, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. L. P. Haas, Granite Falls, N. C.
 Rev. C. J. Hilton, Hudson, N. C.
 Rev. Albert Shown, Purtlear, N. C.

Carson E.
Report
by Frank Co

LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Rev. Earl Miller, Triplett, N. C.
 Rev. Howard Greene, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. Ronda Dillard, Rt. 5, Lenoir, N. C.

MESSENGERS

BAILEY CAMP: By letter.

BOONES FORK: J. Merritt Coffey.

DOE RIDGE: Wade Moretz.

~~HARTLEY~~ HILL: Rev. Paul Braswell, Horace Lee.

LAUREL FORK: Roy Holder, Carl Storie, Rev. Carson Eggers.

LAYTOWN: Mrs. R. M. Dillard, Mrs. J. F. Triplett, Mrs. J. J. Dula.

LONG RIDGE: Roy Woody, Mary Lee Clark, Myrtle Clark, Alfred
Woody, Gertrude Woody.

MT. EPHRAIM: Brady Cox, Elmer Triplett.

MT. PARON: Spencer Miller, Dallas Watson, Arnie Triplett.

MT. VERNON: Jack Cook, Mrs. Will Critcher.

MT. VIEW: Not Represented.

NEW HOPEWELL: By letter.

ROCK SPRINGS: R. C. Woods, Colon Woods, Amelia Dula, Charlotte
Dawson, Irene Dula.

ROCK VIEW: Clyde Robbins.

SANDY FLATS: I. H. Henderson, R. L. Waters, Mrs. I. H. Henderson,
Mrs. R. L. Waters.

WATAUGA: By letter.

YELLOW HILL: Thomas Church, Coy N. Church, Mrs. Leah Church.

PROCEEDINGS

The Stony Fork Baptist Association held its ninety-fifth annual session with the Laurel Fork Baptist Church, September 11 and 12, 1956. The congregation sang "Revive Us Again." Reverend W. T. Brackett conducted the Devotional reading from Eph. 4:1-7 and led in prayer.

The association was called to order by Reverend Theo Hendrix, moderator. It was moved and second to elect a moderator and clerk to serve for the next year. The association appointed Dr. W. K. McGee and Reverend W. T. Brackett to tally the votes. They reported that Rev. Theo Hendrix was elected moderator and J. Merritt Coffey, clerk.

It was moved that we devote one page of this minute to the memory of the late Rev. G. M. Watson for many years of his faithful service to the Stony Fork Association. Visiting brethren were recognized and seated, Dr. Budd E. Smith from Wingate College, Reverend Ira Hodges from Avery County Association, Rev. Guy Kain from Southern Baptist Convention, Rev. C. O. Vance, moderator of Three Forks Association, Reverend Rex West of Three Forks Association, Reverend L. J. Culler from the Caldwell County Association, Reverend Colvard, Three Forks Association, Dr. W. K. McGee from Baptist Hospital, Max Storie from Home for Aging, H. M. Lance from Mars Hill College, W. H. Spradlin, Jr., Weaverville Training Union Department, Weaverville, N. C. Dr. W. C. Reed from the Orphanage, Mrs. Coy Smith, Mrs. D. J. Duckett of Caldwell County Association.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

THE REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

There was no Bible School in five of the churches. Thirteen churches had a vacation Bible School. There were 745 enrolled in these schools. Seventy-four of the 745 enrolled were faculty members. Two hundred and twenty-one of the 745 enrolled were adults who attended the Bible Schools. This makes a total of 295 adults enrolled and 450 children. Seven'y-five dollars and twenty-four cents was given through the cooperative program; \$53.26 was given to missions; total amount of offering was \$127.50. Every church except New Hopewell had a five day school. It had a four day school and all the churches had very good Sundays Schools.

N. L. Harrison, Committee

Moved to by Mrs. Coy Smith and N. L. Harrison and adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The year 1955 was the best in service our Baptist Hospital has ever had. Our churches gave the largest Mother's Day offering they have ever made and the hospital was able to serve more sick people than ever before. More than 115,000 days of bed patient care were rendered to almost 15,000 sick people and more than 100,000 visits were made to the clinics and offices of the medical staff. Following the completion of the new south wing and the moving of a number of departments into new quarters, much of the original building which was constructed in 1928, had to be renovated, the new waiting rooms for visitors and many other changes. Just recently three new type x-ray machines have been installed at a cost of over \$30,000. A small concrete building is under construction to house a cobalt machine which is much more safe and much more effective in the treatment of certain types of cancer than any x-ray machines now being used. The cost of this will be \$75,000. No other hospital in North Carolina has equipment equal to these new machines. The doctor who heads the department is one of the outstanding radiologists in America.

Our Baptist Hospital is trying to stay in the forefront in providing for our people the best there is available in medical service. Then we need to give generously through our Mother's Day offering to help care for those who cannot care for themselves.

Rev. W. J. Cook, Committee

Dr. W. K. McGee spoke to the report on hospital. Then it was adopted.

Reverend Rex West led in the singing of two songs, "Amazing Grace" and "Rock of Ages." The sermon by Reverend W. M. Brown, reading from the 14th chapter of St. John, theme was greater works hath he than these.

At 12 noon a delicious lunch was served on the grounds.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional was given by Reverend Rex West. The song, "Leaning On the Everlasting Arm" was sung and I Corinthians 3 was read and prayer followed.

The moderator called the session to order. Roll call of messengers of 16 churches reported.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

During the year of 1955 a total of 824 applications for the care of needy children passed over the desk of the general superintendent. A decision had to be made on each case. We were able to admit to some phase of our program 137 of these children, to the other 687

we had to say no, of course, many of these were accepted for some sort of care by relatives or other agencies. In 1955 there were 587 more applications sent in than in 1950. Thus the need based on the applications grows greater each year. Last year care for a total of 736 children or 23 more than the year before. The increase was made possible by an increase in the Thanksgiving Offerings. 125

Plan of Support

Last year for the first time the Orphanage received part of its support through the cooperative program. About ten per cent of the total income was given through this channel. Most of the churches place the orphanage in their budgets or have once a month offerings through their Sunday Schools.

Let us always bear in mind the fact that the income for the orphanage from the church budgets monthly offerings and the cooperative program is fixed and will be the same each year; therefore, the only way for the orphanage to get more money to meet the needs for child care is by increasing the Thanksgiving offering. In North Carolina there are more Baptist than ever before. The income of our people is at an all time high. They have give more money to our total Baptist program than ever before. Surely this year they will make a greater effort to give to the Thanksgiving offering in order to help the homeless child, if our church leaders will give them a chance. During the past year a new church building was completed at Kennedy Home. Bear in mind all those buildings are erected from special gifts.

Carson Eggers, Committee

Spoken to by Carson Eggers and Rev. W. C. Reed, representative from Orphanage. The report was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Christian education is education in and about Christ. We can educate non Christianity about Christ, but we can only educate Christians in Christ in our home and in the Sunday Schools. We can and ought to educate our children about Christ until they come to the years of accountability, then we are obligated, win them to Christ and begin their education in Christ.

The process of Christian education never ends until we come to the full knowledge of the stature of Christ as God has revealed it in him. In the first stages of this educational process that is before they become Christians, we prepare the way for them to come to Christ by our influence and their environment. Then the schools and the training unions become important factors in the christian educational picture. Our home, our churches, our christian colleges must press the battle for

Christian education. To be spiritual progressive in our trend of time our rising generation must have every opportunity of Christian education to enable them to hold fast to the true faith.

Respectfully submitted,
William M. Brown

Bud E. Smith spoke on the report. The report was adopted.

It was suggested by Reverend W. T. Brackett that the association be held with two different churches one day each and also suggested that we enlarge our executive committee by appointing two men from each church to serve with the pastors of each church and hold a meeting each quarter with some church in the association. These were voted on and carried. It was moved to empower the moderator and clerk to make all temporary appointments of committees. Mrs. G. M. Watson thanked the association for the payment of \$13.50 in which the association owed Bro. Watson from last year's clerk hire.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

Women's Missionary work in the Stony Fork Association was organized at Laurel Fork Church April 10, 1956 with the following people present: Mr. and Mrs. Earl James, Elkin, N. C., Mrs. James, Regional Supt.; Miss Janet Wilson, Raleigh, N. C., State Youth Director; Reverend E. J. Jenkins, North Wilkesboro, N. C., R. A. Regional Director of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Rosa Pool, Missionary to Cuba; Mrs. Don Perry, Supt. W. M. U., Three Forks Association. Two churches were represented, Laurel Fork and Sandy Flat. The following officers were elected: Mrs. Lynn Waters, Supt., Mrs. Jones Miller, Associate Supt.; Mrs. Alma Moody, Secretary; Miss Theda Holder, youth director. The first W. M. S. in the Stony Fork Association was organized December 1, 1955 in the home of Mrs. Jones Miller of Laurel Fork Church.

The Lottie Moon Christmas offering for Foreign Missions was \$111.35 coming from Laurel Fork and Sandy Flat Churches. Mrs. Earl James taught a study course in March, 1956 on the W. M. U. manual at Laurel Fork. We observed three nights of the week of prayer for Home Missions. The offering for Home Missions was \$47.00. We now have three societies in the Stony Fork Association, Laurel Fork, Sandy Flat and Mt. Vernon, with a total of 34 members. Our total gifts to missions this year was \$174.56.

Mrs. John Waycaster of Cherryville, N. C., our state W. M. U. representative, came to our association July 20-24, meeting with each of the three societies and talked to us on the work of W. M. U. She

also talked to us on making contacts with other churches on the possibility of organizing W. M. U. in more of the churches. We sincerely desire the prayers of the pastors and church leaders and all Christians that the Missionary vision will grow until the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God as the waters cover the sea.

Mrs. Lynn Waters,
W. M. U. Supt. for Stony Fork Association

Spoke to by Mrs. Waters and adopted.

MISSIONS REPORT

In this year of 1956 emphasis is being placed on church extension and the building of new churches. There is an ever increasing need of the churches dependent on aid in financing their program.

In 1957 the emphasis will be on the promotion of work among the language groups, minority groups, neglected and underprivileged groups and people who are separated and isolated from our denominational work.

In 1958 the emphasis will be upon the rural church program, our ministries to the large cities and missionary education in general. There is nothing as vital and important as our mission work in our local communities, in our home fields and around the world. We as Missionary Baptists have a God given chance of being the "Soul Winners" that God has saved us for and of winning lost souls for Christ by giving first our prayers, second, ourselves, and third, of our means in support of the gospel.

The Holy Spirit will provide the necessary resources in men and money if Southern Baptists are determined to do the will of God. Remember the words of Jesus when he said, "As my Father hath sent me into the world, even so send I you into the world."

W. T. Brackett, Committee

Spoken to by Guy Kain, Rev. Theo Hendrix and adopted.
Adjourned until Wednesday morning.
Prayer by Reverend Rex West.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Wednesday morning session was opened by singing "Heavenly Sunlight" led by Reverend W. J. Cook. The devotion was given by Reverend Carson Eggers who read the 13th chapter of Romans and then led in prayer. The association was called to order by the moderator.

Visitors were recognized and seated. Reverend and Mrs. E. J. Jenkins were also recognized.

B. T. U. REPORT

To be an efficient worker on any job a workman needs to have special training or experience for that particular work. This is true in the work of the church. A teacher must know the Bible before he can teach it to others and the same is true of all the other workers in the church.

B. T. U. gives training to every member of the church. In training Union we learn to read our Bible daily and pray in order that we might grow spiritual'y. The program of study is planned so that it gives doctrinal study to help us understand the New Testament teaching of Baptist belief and practice; Bible study, that we many grow in the knowledge of God's word; devotional, that we may be led into a more perfect spirit of worship; and missionary, that we may catch the vision of a world need for Christ.

No church can afford to try to carry on the kingdom work without a B. T. U. We recommend that every church in our association try to organize a Training Union.

Respectfully submitted,
Winifred Hampton

Speaking to the report were W. H. Spradlin, Jr., W. T. Brackett, Rev. Theo Hendrix, N. L. Harrison, Rev. W. J. Cook. Report was adopted.

RELIEF AND ANNUITY REPORT

The protection plan, replacing the ministers retirement plan, now is in operation in most of the states of the Southern Convention. It becomes operative in North Carolina as of January 1, 1956. At that time the plan referred to in number one (Minister's Retirement Plan) above will be closed to any new members. Payments will be 5% for the church and 5% for the convention. In this plan the protection for the widow is included when the minister pays his 5%.

N. L. Harrison, Committee

Rev. E. J. Jenkins and N. L. Harrison discussed the report. Report was adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

When Jesus gave Peter the command, "Feed My Sheep," he was speaking to all pastors down through the ages of time. The responsibilities of pastors are very serious ones. They must be a shepherd for the flock; they lead; they must not be blind folded by the pleasures of this world for if the blind lead the blind, all will fall into the ditch together. The church must be a light house for God. He said, "Let your light so shine that men may see your good works and glorify my Father which is in Heaven." The church must hold up the banner of Christ. He said, "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me." The church must not hide her light or else the world will stumble in darkness into eternal night.

Coy N. Church, Committee

Talks on the subject were made by Rev. W. J. Cook, Rev. Theo Hendrix, Mrs. Will Critcher, Mrs. Lynn Waters, N. L. Harrison, Rev. W. T. Brackett and Ronda Dillard. The report was adopted.

TEMPERANCE

There is much to be said about the different forms of intemperance. anything that we do to excess is a form of intemperance. Many of us eat too much at times and many may smoke too much and many may indulge in the pleasures of the world, in ways that they should not. All such things is intemperance and is probably hurting the cause of Christianity. I think that the most sinful and harmful form of intemperance is excessive drinking of alcoholic drink. It is wrecking homes, causing accidents and killing innocent people on our highways by drivers who are under the influence of alcohol. We as Christians should take a stand against this evil and in doing this we may be able to lead someone to accept Jesus and become a Christian.

J. Merritt Coffey, Committee

Speaking on Temperance were Rev. E. J. Jenkins and Mrs. L. R. Waters. The report was adopted.

The session adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 12

The devotional was conducted by Reverend W. J. Cook. He read from the 7th chapter of Judges and led in prayer.

The moderator called the Wednesday afternoon session to order for business.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

It is the duty of the father and mother to have the Bible in the home to read and to be read to our children. We can get good literature from our Baptist publications of North Carolina such as the Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children. Our Baptist Book Store has all kinds of books which will train the mind of grown ups and our children. The literature in many homes today is not fit for anyone to read, much less our children. May we bring it out and put God's word in to help God's Kingdom be established in our home and communities.

Rev. Carson Eggers, Committee

Report was discussed by Ronda Dillard and Carson Eggers. Report was adopted.

OBITUARY REPORT

Boones Fork—Mr. Finley Coffey, Deacon; Sam Day.

Hartley Hill—Mr. Bynum Arnett.

Laurel Fork—Mrs. Bettie Storie.

Mt. Ephraim—Mr. Clemon Triplett.

Mt. Vernon—Mrs. Ina Cook, Mrs. Maggie Critcher, Mr. Charlie Vanney,
Mr. Walter Hampton, Mr. Richard Hartley, Mr. Thomas
Hartley.

Mt. Paron—Rev. G. M. Watson.

Rock View—Willie Carroll, Pauline Hodges.

New Hopewell—Mr. Orvil Gragg.

Wa'auga—Mr. Jake Shook.

Losses by death since our last association were 16.

Rev. W. J. Cook, Committee

DIGEST OF LETTERS REPORT

In 1955 all churches paid pastor's \$5985.95. In 1956 they paid the
pastors \$5523.25. The churches gave \$1450.83 to all mission causes.
The churches have given \$13,625.52 to local work and missions. In
1956 we have gained 122 members and lost 63.

Winifred Hampton, Committee

FINANCE REPORT

Received for 1956 minutes, funds in the amount of \$97.00 from
the 16 churches represented. Offering was taken on Tuesday eleventh
amounting to \$22.55. Paid Mrs. G. M. Watson, \$13.50, balance of over
draft from 1954 which we owed Brother Watson. The clerk is to super-
vise the printing and distribution of minutes and is to be paid \$20.00
for his service. Fund at present, \$106.30.

J. Merritt Coffey, Committee

Miss Winifred Hampton was elected by unanimous vote
as treasurer of the association.

Report on place and preacher was read by the clerk.

The next session will be held with Mt. Vernon Baptist
Church first day and with Sandy Flat second day. Time,
September 10 and 11, 1957. The annual sermon will be given
by Rev. W. J. Cook, alternate, Rev. Carson Eggers.

I. H. Henderson, Chairman of Committee

Executive Committee consisting of two men, with their
pastor from each church in the Stony Fork Baptist Associa-
tion, met with some church four times in the year. Once in
each quarter, first meeting to be at Mt. Vernon Baptist
Church 2:30 P.M. September 30, 1956. Next meeting will be
decided on at the next meeting.

The moderator was instructed to appoint an assistant
moderator. Reverend W. J. Cook was appointed.

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOME FOR AGING

The homes are in their sixth, and greatest year of operation.

Construction of the administration and dormitory building began in February. It should be completed by the end of the year, and ready for occupancy by February 1, 1957.

North Carolina Baptists have good reason to be proud of this new building, which, when completed and equipped, will add one-half million dollars to the total value of the homes. What is more encouraging, there is reason to believe that the total cost of the new building will be paid for by the time it is occupied, if our 3,200 Baptist churches will respond with a generous Special Day offering on the third Sunday of February, 1957.

The added facilities of the new building will make it possible to care for 100 residents — 20 at Resthaven, 36 at Albemarle Home, and 44 in the new building. Of this number, less than 10 will be part-time helpers. Moreover, a greater ministry to our aging residents will be possible because of the extra facilities in the new building. Among these will be ample space for craft shops, sun parlors, library, infirmary and other additional features. In fact, the new building was planned and is being constructed to provide a well rounded program with the most up-to-date facilities.

The Special Day offering this year, to date, is \$88,400.03, including personal and corporation gifts.

Resthaven and the Albemarle Home have been filled to capacity. When a vacancy occurs, which is rare, there is always a waiting list.

There has been a larger number of building memorial gifts. They ranged from \$300 to \$3,000 — \$300 to furnish, \$1,000 to endow, and \$3,000 to pay cost of constructing a room.

North Carolina Baptists should keep in mind that their special offering and the share of the nine-year program received by the homes help to make this ministry possible to all who come to the homes, and, especially to a large number who could not come but for such help.

There are some rooms left to be memorialized. Also, a limited number of cottages may be built on the Park Road site. If interested, contact James M. Hayes, general superintendent, N. C. Baptist Homes, Kentucky Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth." (Psalm 71-9).

393 Rev. W. H. Byerly, Committee

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

We, the Stony Fork Baptist Association, want to express our gratitude and heartfelt thanks to the people of Laurel Fork Church, the pastor for their warm welcome and the bountiful table of delicious food, and to all those who came both days. Also we want to express our gratitude to the moderator and clerk of our association and faithful pastors. How we need all our pastors at the association.

May the blessings of God continue to be poured out upon you here at Laurel Fork and throughout the entire Stony Fork Association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lynn Waters

This brings to a close another good spiritual session of the Stony Fork Association. A warm fellowship has been felt here at Laurel Fork.

It was moved and second to adjourn this session. The 96th session will meet with Mr. Vernon and Sandy Flat Baptist Churches September 10 and 11, 1957.

The congregation sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." A general hand shaking of love and fellowship followed.

Reverend Theo Hendrix, Moderator
J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk

CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church in knowledge, holiness, and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotions, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tatling, back-biting and excessive anger, to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy of speech: to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	1 Location Rural V-T-C	2 Date Organized	3 Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	GAINS		LOSSES	TOTAL				SPECIAL INFORMATION
					4	5	6	7	7A	8	10	
					Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	
Bailey Camp	R	1938	1-3	J. H. Crisp, Box 67, Lenoir	--	--	2	73	12	85	1	305.66
Boones Fork	R	1872	2	Theo Hendrix, Hayes, N. C.	--	--	4	30	57	87	1	191.15
Doe Ridge	R	1944	2-4	Arent Greer, Trade, Tenn.	8	--	1	37	22	59	1	155.00
Hartley Hill	R	1955	all	Paul Braswell, Rt. 7, Lenoir	--	2	4	22	--	22	1	141.12
Hopkins Chapel	R											
Laurel Fork	R	1855	1-3	W. T. Brackett, Rutherford C.	--	--	4	--	--	132	2	873.15
Laytown	R	1939	1-3	J. T. Laws, Lenoir, N. C.	5	4	--	54	32	86	2	116.00
Long Ridge	R	1945	1-3	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk, N. C.	8	4	--	100	--	103	1	224.00
Mt. Ephraim	R	1876	2-4	Ben Triplett, Deep Gap, N.C.	11	13	3	--	--	206	1	308.42
Mt. Paron	R	1886	1-3	Roscoe Greene, Rt. 6, Lenoir	2	4	2	--	--	101	1	415.97
Mt. Vernon	R	1866	1-3	Barnie Oliver, Trade, Tenn.	26	1	16	225	106	331	2	1247.00
Mt. View	R	1910										
New Hopewell	R	1870	1-3	L. P. Haas, Granite Falls	--	3	4	41	51	92	1	175.00
Rock Springs	R	1891	2-4	Taft Laws, Rt. 8, Lenoir, N. C.	4	--	2	37	41	78	1	271.82
Rock View	R	1923	1-3	Ben Triplett, Deep Gap, N.C.	3	--	2	--	--	112	1	222.43
Rock Creek	R	1950										
Sandy Flat	R	1928	1-3	O. C. Dellinger, Collettsville	1	--	--	47	44	91	1	302.25
Watauga	R		1-3	C. J. Helton, Hydson, N. C.	14	--	8	169	--	169	2	436.79
Yellow Hill	R	1850	1-3	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N. C.	4	7	11	125	54	179	1	140.00

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES		Sunday School Superintendents and Addresses	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT											
			Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Adults	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Average Attendance V.B.S.
Bailey Camp		L. O. Tolbert, Blowing Rock, N.C.	--	4	12		15	16		25	90	83	101	96
Boones Fork		J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock	--	3	3		4	--	7	10	35	22	--	--
Doe Ridge		Kenneth Brown, Zionville, N. C.	--	--	4		7	5	6	6	28	25	--	--
Hartley Hill		Alvin Blain McDonald, Lenoir, N.C.	2	2	1		9	4	--	22	38	26	--	--
Hopkins Chapel														
Laurel Fork		Bobby Coffey, Blowing Rock, N.C.	--	--	16		12	12	10	40	90	68	94	76
Laytown		Mrs. F. J. Triplett, Rt. 5, Lenoir	2	--	--	6	11	14	2	14	54	28	30	26
Long Ridge		Ronald Woody, Jonas Ridge	--	6	10	9	10	12	8	25	80	49	55	42
Mt. Ephraim		Lonnie Carlton, Triplett, N. C.	--	--	11	7	15	12	12	14	71	50	60	50
Mt. Paron		Spencer Miller, Deep Gap, N.C.												
Mt. Vernon		Billy Cook	--	4	28	14	30	28	25	60	186	125	100	87
Mt. View														
New Hopewell		Spencer Coffey, Gragg, N.C.	--	--	8	--	--	--	10	15	33	--	--	--
Rock Springs		Wilborn Campbell, Lenoir	--	6	10	12	12	10	--	10	60	45	55	46
Rock View		Clyde Robbins, Ferguson, N.C.	--	--	13	--	--	--	5	10	28	23	--	--
Rock Creek														
Sandy Flat		Frank Craig, Blowing Rock, N.C.	2	--	9	8	--	9	13	17	58	38	34	30
Watauga		Rom Aldridge, Banner Elk, N. C.	--	--	10	10	--	12	35	30	97	85	--	--
Yellow Hill		Coy N. Church, Rt 1, Purlier, N.C.	6	4	10	10	18	9	8	29	98	38	57	49

Table G and H		TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES												
CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense	
Bailey Camp	Odell Story, Blowing Rock	\$938.17	120.00	--	336.86	49.28	--	--	---	76.15	582.29	325.66	887.95	
Boones Fork	Mrs. C. E. Coffey, B. Rock	471.13	--	48.00	--	16.03	9.56	27.49	---	56.49	130.09	191.15	321.23	
Doe Ridge	Eston Moretz, Zionville	264.00	--	11.00	30.00	20.00	11.00	25.00	---	12.00	109.00	155.00	264.00	
Hartley Hill	Horace Lee, Lenoir, N. C.	566.95	--	42.15	--	13.91	--	30.35	180.00	110.00	367.41	141.12	517.53	
Hopkins Chapel													--	
Laurel Fork	Mrs. Clark Story, B. Rock	1489.55	--	--	--	104.34	--	55.31	---	178.83	338.48	873.65	1212.13	
Laytown	F. J. Triplett, Rt. 5, Lenoir	551.00	--	284.00	--	26.00	--	59.00	---	42.00	411.00	116.00	527.00	
Long Ridge	Coy Woody, Jonas Ridge, N.C.	908.00	--	--	--	41.00	109.00	25.00	---	50.00	225.00	224.00	449.00	
Mt. Ephram	Bob Hodges, Triplett, N. C.	730.67	28045	18.00	--	25.00	--	98.80	---	--	422.25	308.42	730.67	
Mt. Paron	Russau Watson, Deep Gap	641.55	--	--	50.00	--	175.58	--	---	--	--	415.97	641.55	
Mt. Vernon	Carnie Critcher, Rt 1, B. Rock	33 38	208.00	191.00	99.00	241.00	183.00	281.00	---	500.00	1703.00	1247.00	2950.00	
Mt. View													--	
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Gragg, N. C.	394.00	--	42.00	--	64.25	--	37.43	---	34.84	119.00	175.00	394.00	
Rock Springs	J. W. Dawson, Ferguson, N.C.	2757.40	52.00	--	2266.87	28.04	--	41.27	---	40.00	2428.13	271.82	2700.00	
Rock View	Ronda Robbins, Ferguson, N.C.	345.96	--	--	--	11.20	--	334.76	---	--	--	222.43	568.39	
Rock Creek													--	
Sandy Flat	Loyd Coffey, Rt 3, Boone, N. C.	--	--	--	--	74.00	--	33.96	---	--	--	302.25	410.21	
Watauga	Mrs. Jeffry Shook, Banner Elk	257.34	--	--	250.00	50.28	--	186.89	---	95.21	--	436.79	1019.17	
Yellow Hill	Coy N. Church, Purlear, N. C.	536.00	67.00	51.00	85.00	26.00	--	70.00	---	65.00	364.00	140.00	504.00	

Table I and J

MISSION EXPENDITURES
AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Bailey Camp	Arlen Ford, Rt. Lenoir, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	32.80	17.42	--	50.32	887.97
Boones Fork	J. Merritt Coffey, B. Rock	6.16	--	--	--	--	--	44.32	--	--	50.50	321.23
Doe Ridge	Eston Moretz, Zionville, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Hartley Hill	Mrs. Alvin Blain McDowell, Lenoir	--	--	--	--	25.00	--	26.67	25.19	33.35	110.21	--
Hopkins Chapel		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Laurel Fork	J. G. Story, Blowing Rock, N. C.	36.08	--	8.00	46.20	33.50	--	67.00	18.55	11.16	220.49	1432.62
Laytown	Mrs. Nora Dillard, Rt 5 Lenoir	4.25	--	--	--	--	--	--	20.00	--	24.25	551.00
Long Ridge	Coy Woody, Jonas Ridge, N. C.	6.11	--	--	--	--	--	--	12.75	46.00	64.86	513.87
Mt. Ephraim	V. M. Greer, Triplett, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	26.00	112.65	138.65	868.32
Mt. Paron	Russau Watson, Deep Gap, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Mt. Vernon	Winifred Hampton, B. Rock, N. C.	53.20	67.43	10.00	23.37	77.66	--	170.49	35.36	--	437.51	3387.51
Mt. View		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
New Hopewell	L. E. Gragg, Grags, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	7.00	--	--	--	--
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Ferguson, N. C.	--	5.00	--	--	--	15.00	10.00	--	27.40	57.40	401.00
Rock View	Willie Eller, Ferguson, N. C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2757.40
Rock Creek		--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Sandy Flat	Loyd Coffey, Boone, N. C.	6.29	--	22.69	34.58	76.85	--	32.66	22.91	8.21	204.19	609.15
Watauga	Jeffery Shook, Banner Elk	--	--	6.05	--	--	--	60.00	--	--	66.05	1019.17
Yellow Hill	Leah Church, Purlear, N. C.	8.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	--	18.00	522.00



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September 17th, 1958

Annual Sermon by Rev. Carson Eggers

Alternate by Rev. Carson Eggers

Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator

J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk

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SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS

TUESDAY MORNING

9:00- 9:15	-----	Devotional
9:15- 9:30	--	Call to order and reading abstract of principles Rules of Decorum
9:30- 9:45	--	Election of Officers, and Address of Moderator
9:45-10:00	-----	Recognition of Visitors and Roll Call
10:00-10:30	-----	Missions
10:30-11:00	-----	Hospitals
11:00-12:00	-----	Annual Sermon

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00- 1:15	-----	Devotional
1:15- 1:45	-----	Orphanage
1:45- 2:00	-----	N. C. Homes for Aging
2:00- 2:15	-----	Sunday Schools and V. B. S.
2:15- 2:45	-----	Christian Education
2:45- 3:00	-----	Women's Missionary Union
3:00- 3:30	-----	Baptist Training Union

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

9:00- 9:15	-----	Devotional
9:15- 9:30	-----	Relief and Annuity
9:30- 9:45	-----	Duties of Pastors and Churches
9:45-10:00	-----	Temperance
10:00-10:30	-----	Religious Literature
10:30-11:00	-----	General Discussion
11:00-12:00	-----	Sermon

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00- 1:15	-----	Devotional
1:15- 1:30	-----	Finance Report
1:30- 1:45	-----	Obituaries
1:45- 2:00	-----	Digest of Letters
2:00- 2:15	-----	Place and Preacher
2:15- 2:45	-----	Associational Missionary Report
2:45- 3:00	----	Committee Appointments Executive Report
3:00- 3:30	-----	Resolutions Report

Adjourn

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES OF THE STONY FORK
MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We believe in one only true and living God and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.
2. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from the fallen state which he is in by his own avidity.
3. We believe that the Old and New Testament are the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
4. We believe that Salvation is only by Grace through Faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.
5. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ and should be practiced by all true believers.
6. We believe that the only true Mode of Baptism is by immersion and that true believers are the only subjects.
7. We believe in the final perseverance of the Saints in Grace to glory.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment.
9. We believe that the happiness of the righteous, and the punishment of the unrighteous will both be eternal.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. Always begin and end each session with Prayer.
2. Admit none as messengers but such as come recommended by letter will be authenticated from the churches to which they belong or from whence they come.
3. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by ballot.
4. When a church petitions by letter for admission if approved of the Moderator is to inform the Messengers that their request is granted and desire them to take seats.
5. All who have anything to offer are to rise and address the Moderator.
6. While one is speaking the rest are to be silent yet all have a right to speak in turn.
7. No partiality or disrespect of persons is to be shown.
8. Every matter should be canvassed with gravity, modesty and a sincere aim after truth.
9. When all are not agreed the matter may be put to a vote and a majority to determine.

10. All queries regularly sent by the churches should be answered if expedient.

11. All matters proposed relative to the general good of the churches, should be seriously attended to.

12. The transactions of the association shall be sent to all the churches in the confederation, with which may be sent a circular letter if thought expedient.

13. Every transaction should be conformable to the revealed will of God.

14. By the association the churches may have such doubts as arise among themselves, cleared, which will prevent disputes; Acts 15th chapter, 28th verse.

15. They will be furnished with Salutory Counsels. Prov. 11th chapter, 14th verse.

16. The churches will be more closely united in proving the cause of Christ.

17. A member who is aggrieved through partiality or any other wrong received by the church may have an opportunity of applying for direction.

18. A Godly and sound ministry will be encouraged while a ministry that is unsound and ungodly will be discountenanced.

19. There will be a reciprocal communion of these gifts. Phil. 4th chapter, 15 verse.

20. Ministers may be alternately sent out to preach the gospel to those that are destitute. Gal. 2, 9th verse.

21. A large party may draw off from the church by means of an intruding minister or otherwise and the aggrieved may have no way of obtaining redress but from the association.

22. A church may become heretical with which her godly members can no longer communicate yet cannot obtain any relief but by the association.

23. Contentions may arise between sister churches which the association is most likely to remove.

24. The churches may have candidates for the ministry properly tried by the association. These and other advantages arising from an association must induce every godly church to desire union with such a body, but should any stand off it would argue. Much self-sufficiency and little or no desire after the unity of the Spirit is mutual edification.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator ----- Hayes, N. C.
 Rev. W. J. Cook, Assistant Moderator ----- Rt. 1, Boone, N. C.
 J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk ----- Blowing Rock, N. C.
 Miss Winifred Hampton, Treasurer ----- Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORS

Sunday Schools: Assn. Supt. M. L. Harrison ----- Blowing Rock, N. C.
Hospitals: R. L. Waters ----- Blowing Rock, N. C.
Orphanage: Ronda Dillard ----- Rt. 5, Lenoir, N. C.
Home for Aging: J. Merritt Coffey ----- Blowing Rock, N. C.
Associational Missionary: Rev. Carson Eggers -- Rt. 1, Blowing Rock
Associational Training Union Director: ----- Rev. W. T. Brackett,
Rutherford College, N. C.
Schools and Colleges: Arlen Ford ----- Rt. 8, Lenoir, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The pastor and two lay members from each church constitute this committee, along with the associational officers.

Bailey Camp: L. O. Tolbert, Vernon Bolick.
 Boones Fork: J. M. Coffey, C. E. Coffey, Hardin Coffey.
 Doe Ridge: Wade Moretz, Kenneth Brown.
 Laurel Fork: Clark Storie, Billy Miller.
 Laytown: Ronda Dillard, Fritz Dula.
 Long Ridge:
 Mt. Ephraim: Olen Miller, Virgil Cox.
 Mt. Paron:
 Mt. Vernon: Dayton Cook, Allen Beach.
 New Hopewell: Ivey W. Coffey, Roosevelt Gragg.
 Rock Springs: R. C. Woods, Colon Woods.
 Rock View:
 Sandy Flat: Frank Craig, R. L. Waters.
 Watauga: Otha Andrews, Rom Aldridge.
 Yellow Hill: Coy Church, Rufus Church, Lee Cornett.

COMMITTEE TO REPORT IN 1958

Missions	Rev. Carson Eggers
Hospital	R. L. Waters
Orphanage	Ronda Dillard
N. C. Home for Aging	J. Merritt Coffey
Sunday Schools	N. L. Harrison
Christian Education	Arlen Ford
Women's Missionary Union	Mrs. Lynn Waters
Baptist Training Union	Miss Winifred Hampton
Relief and Annuity	J. T. Woods
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Temperance -----	Mrs. Hardin Coffey
Religious Literature -----	Rev. W. M. Brown
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Digest of Letters -----	J. Merritt Coffey
Place and Preacher -----	J. H. Henderson
Resolutions -----	Mrs. Clark Storie

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. Carson Eggers, Blowing Rock, Rt. 1, N. C.
 Rev. Lonnie Carlton, Triplett, N. C.
 Rev. Dallas Watson, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. John R. Greene, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. Roscoe Greene, Rt. 2, Granite Falls, N. C.
 Rev. W. J. Cook, Rt. 1, Boone, N. C.
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 Rev. Theo Hendrix, Hayes, N. C.
 Rev. Ben Triplett, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
 Rev. L. P. Haas, Granite Falls, N. C.
 Rev. Albert Shoun, Purlear, N. C.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. Earl Miller, Triplett, N. C.
 Rev. Howard Greene, Deep Gap, N. C.
 Rev. Ivey W. Coffey, Rt. 8, Lenoir, N. C.
 Rev. John Jackson, Boone, N. C.

MESSENGERS

BAILEY CAMP: Stewart Ford, Arlen Ford.
 BOONES FORK: J. M. Coffey, Mrs. Sue Coffey, Charlie Coffey, Mrs. Georgia Coffey.
 DOE RIDGE: Wade Moretz, Kenneth Brown, Eston Moretz.
 LAUREL FORK: Roy Holder, Mrs. Roy Holder, Mrs. Marion Coffey.
 LAYTOWN: Mrs. J. J. Dula, Mrs. I. D. Dillard, F. J. Triplett, Mrs. F. J. Triplett, Geo. Townsend, Mrs. Geo. Townsend.
 LONG RIDGE: Rev. G. H. Dellinger, Alfred Woody, Earl Woody.
 MT. EPHRAIM: V. C. Cox, Mrs. Ralph Hayes, Mrs. Elmer Triplett.
 MT. PARON: Dallas Watson, Nolen Watson, Spencer Miller, Ruby Watson.
 MT. VERNON: Milton Gragg, Dayton Cook, Billy Cook, N. L. Harrison.
 NEW HOPEWELL: Mrs. Odell Coffey, Mrs. Edith Barnes, Mrs. Christine Gragg.
 ROCK SPRINGS: Colon Woods, Mrs. Amelia Dula.
 ROCK VIEW: By Letter.
 SANDY FLAT: I. H. Henderson, R. L. Waters, Mrs. R. L. Waters.
 WATAUGA: By Letter.
 YELLOW HILL: By Letter.

PROCEEDINGS

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met for its 96th Session, with the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, September 10, 1957.

The congregation sang "Blessed Redeemer." Rev. Barnie Oliver conducted the Devotional, reading from the 17th chapter of St. John, verses 1-5 and led in prayer, then sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

1. The association was called to order by Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator. The time for to elect officers to serve for the next year.

2. On motion to enter into election appointed Rev. R. L. Holt and Rev. Rex West as tellers. Delegates voted by ballot. Rev. Theo Hendrix was elected Moderator, and J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk, Miss Winifred Hampton, Treasurer.

3. Visitors were recognized and seated. They were Rev. R. L. Holt, Mars Hill College, Rev. Roger Williams, Mills Home, Mrs. R. L. Jenkins, Elkin association, Rev. Rex West, Three Forks association, Rev. Earl Colvard, Three Forks association.

4. N. L. Harrison gave reports on Sunday School and Vacation Bible School, adopted report.

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Eleven churches had Vacation Bible Schools. The totals are as follows: Professions 3, Beginners 45, Primaries 64, Juniors 84, Intermediate 96, Faculty 71, Total Enrollment 359, total average enrollment 309, Adult 129, Adult average 100. Grand total enrollment 566, attendance 475. Dedications 123, Coop. Program \$91.75, Cost of Schools, \$112.13. Pupils not in Sunday Schools 42. Enrollment of Sunday Schools 800. State Missions made it possible for churches with the exception of two Bailey Camp (who furnished their own teachers) and Laurel Forks to have Vacation Bible Schools. Through the help of Miss Daphne Boone of Rockingham and Miss Ann Cross of Goldsboro, N. C., all churches of the association had Sunday Schools.

N. L. Harrison, Chairman

The report on Sunday Schools was read by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL 1957 REPORT

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital is dedicated to the service of those in need of medical care, the education of young people in various branches of medical service, and the bearing of a Christian witness throughout North Carolina and the world.

Once more it has set a new record in its ministry to sick people. Last year it provided 123,000 days of bed care for 15,784 patients. There were 61,000 visits to the out-patient clinics and 60,000 visits to the private clinics. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of our State. This represents specialized medical care in twenty-five different fields of medicine and surgery. It represents the services of skilled medical specialists and special equipment in each of these fields. It represents a medical staff and equipment which, because of the many skills and the large investment involved, cannot be provided except in such a medical center. It provides medical service of the highest order for our people in North Carolina, whatever their financial circumstances may be.

The new Cobalt machine is in full operation, providing treatment for about 35 cancer patients each day. Our very fine plastic surgeon is doing highly skilled work, and our heart surgeon has performed successfully some of the newest and most difficult heart operations known. These services are typical of those offered by our Baptist Hospital.

If a person wishes to go to the Baptist Hospital for treatment, it is necessary that an appointment be made in advance. When an appointment is requested, accurate information must be given as to the general nature of the patient's problem and whether he needs to go through the out-patient clinic, rather than as a private or full-pay patient. The out-patient department is open to persons who are not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. In cases of emergency, or the need for immediate hospitalization, a local physician should always call or write the hospital in order that he may give the medical information required before the proper arrangements can be made. If a person will not be able to pay his full hospital bill when he leaves the hospital, definite financial arrangements should be made when he is admitted to the hospital and not left until later. This can prevent misunderstanding and unnecessary hardship.

It appears now that our churches of the State have made their largest Mother's Day offering this year. We are grateful for this because the needs for help have been greater than they have ever been before. Let us share in the ministry of our Baptist Hospital by giving generously of our prayers, our love, and our money.

Rev. W. J. Cook, Chairman

Dr. W. K. McGee spoke to the Report on Hospital. Then it was adopted.

Published an open door for the reception of new churches, none joined.

Roll call of messengers, 12 churches answered to names, and 3 churches reported by letter.

Rev. James M. Hayes gave a fine talk on N. C. Baptist Homes for Aging.

N. C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING REPORT

This, the seventh year of operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging, has been the greatest year of expansion, thanks to our Lord for His continued favor, and the North Carolina Baptists for their increased support.

The new administration and residential building was opened June 13. All rooms are now occupied, except four in the infirmary, which are reserved for residents who will need them.

The new building increased facilities to 112 residents, counting residents at Resthaven and the Albemarle Home. It also added half a million dollars to the value of the assets of the Homes for the Aging.

Another forward step was taken in July when the General Board voted unanimously to accept the offer of Don G. Matthews, Sr., Hamilton, N. C., to give \$50,000 and land on which to build a Home for the Aging in eastern Carolina. This fourth home will probably add space for approximately forty additional residents, thus bringing the total capacity of all the homes to 150 residents.

Two Wills have been probated in Forsyth County in which the homes were remembered with sizeable gifts when received. Word has come of other Wills in which the homes will share.

A total of about eighty-five thousand (\$85,000) dollars has been received from the February Special Day Offering. This represents an average gift of ten (10c) cents per Baptist — 850,000 in number.

The challenge facing the Homes for the Aging at present is to finish paying for the new building, although the Baptist State Convention authorized that the Homes might borrow up to one hundred, seventy-five thousand (\$175,000) dollars to finish paying for the construction and equipping the new building on Reynolds Park Road. Actually, it was not necessary to borrow but one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars. Surely, with all North Carolina Baptists responding with a generous Special Day Offering on the third Sunday of February, 1958, and with continued gifts coming in from other sources as they have been in the past, this balance of one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars, should be paid within the year. Accordingly, if every pastor and superintendent of the Sunday School will urge the members of each church to respond to this worthy cause, the Baptist Homes for the Aging would be free of debt by the end of the year, 1958.

The residents, and all connected with the Homes for the Aging, are deeply grateful for the support received in the past, and join with the Baptists of our state in thanking God for His favor and blessings year by year.

The state of health of the residents has been remarkably good, considering their ages 65 to 97 years.

J. Merritt Coffey, Chairman

The Annual Sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. Cook, reading from chapter 2, Phillipians, 5th verse.

Adjourned for dinner. A delicious dinner was served.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Devotional was given by Rev. W. T. Brackett. The song, "Heavenly Sunlight," was sung. Rev. Brackett read from the 3rd chapter of Ephesians. Prayer followed.

The moderator called the session to order. It was moved and seconded that the reports from the Hospital, Home for Aging and from the orphanages be received and adopted when sent in to clerk.

Rev. Roger Williams spoke on the Baptist Homes for Children of North Carolina.

ORPHANAGE REPORT

In the year 1956, there were 813 applications, of this number only 169 could be admitted to some phase of our program. This means there were 644 children that we could not take in but by careful research of our social service dept. in cooperation with the pastors who had signed the applications made it possible to place many of these with relatives or other agencies where their needs are being met.

The question often arises, "How many dependent children should North Carolina Baptists provide for?" Probably an exact answer is impossible. But last year we served a total of 751, an increase of 15 over the year before, of these 126 were supported in Foster Boarding Houses. Another need is the Indian Orphanage at Pembroke. Since the Burnt Swamp association is unable to adequately support this orphanage which cares for 15 to 20 children, it is being strongly urged by North Carolina Baptists that it be admitted as a part of the Baptist Children Homes in North Carolina. If this is done it will necessitate one cottage at Pembroke and an additional operating budget of about \$20,000 per year. Churches can do more by increased once-a-month offerings and by increased Thanksgiving offerings.

Charity and Children continue to serve North Carolina Baptists in promoting the kingdom of God, and by keeping our people informed about all phases of child care. The circulation is about 52 thousand. We believe every church will profit by a Charity and Childrer club. Club rates in bundles of ten or more are \$.60. Individual subscriptions are \$1.00 per year. Pastors and Sunday School superintendents send for free copies to Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina. Thomasville, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
J. M. Coffey, Chairman

The report was adopted.

The report on Relief and Annuity was read by N. L. Harrison and adopted.

REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY

This protection plan is a replacement of ministers retirement plan, and now is closed and the substitute is that the church pays 5% and the convention 5%, and in this plan the protection for the widow is included when the minister pays his 5%.

N. L. Harrison, Chairman

The report was read by Carson Eggers. Report was adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

When Jesus left the great commission to his disciples as in Matt. 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and Lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world."

I believe Southern Baptists have the best program from the great commission if we will work together and let the Holy Spirit lead us. We as Baptists a lot of times don't let the Spirit lead us. There is so much work to do in our home fields and in the foreign fields also. God has given us the means to do with if we will only put it to work for him. If our churches will be led by the Spirit, there will be much done.

My prayer is that we have a vision of the great work that is to be done. God is going to hold us responsible for a lot of souls that have gone out unprepared.

May we start at home and go into all the world with the great news.

Carson Eggers, Chairman

Spoken to by Rev. Guy Cain.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

Wednesday Morning, Sept. 11, 1957, the association met with Sandy Flat Baptist Church for the second day sessions. The Devotion was given by Rev. J. T. Laws, reading part of the 3rd chapter of 2nd Peter. Led in prayer.

The Moderator called the association to order. Rev. W. T. Brackett gave a talk on the "Carrying On of the Associational Business." The report on Christian Education was read by William Brown and adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Education is a process gained by experience that will enable you to serve more efficiently in the future than you have in the past. The kind of education our youth obtains should be our serious concern. In this broken and suffering world of sin, there has never been a greater need for Christian education. God grant that this statement may indent itself into the minds of our homes, Sunday Schools, Training Unions, and Christian colleges in order that America's youth may be better prepared to combat with the age long war of sin and strife.

William Brown, Chairman

R. L. Holt spoke on this report.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

The Training Union organization of the Southern Baptist Convention is an agency designed to train in church membership. Regardless of the organization through which one works, the associations are beginning to realize this and have organized Training Unions.

The Training Union gives a four-fold training to its members; Devotional, Bible Study, Doctrinal and Missionary. In devotional study, we learn roads to better Christian living by studying every day problems and a Christian solution to these problems. Through training in Bible study, we develop systematic Bible study habits by reading our Bibles daily and through prayer. Doctrinal studies serve to establish an underlying knowledge of the Baptist faith. Most important of all we study the complete mission work of the Southern Baptist Convention (State, Home and Foreign Missions).

The necessity of this organization in the church cannot be overstressed. The manifold benefits derived from Training Union are directed to include all age groups. We would appeal to every church in this association to consider organizing a Training Union this year.

Winifred Hampton, Chairman

W. T. Brackett spoke on Baptist Training. The report was adopted. On motion, the moderator and clerk were instructed to committees, to replace absent committees. The following were appointed: Rev. Carson Eggers on Duties of Pastors and Churches, Mrs. J. M. Coffey on Obituaries, and Arlen Ford on Resolutions.

REPORT ON DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

In St. John 21:15, Jesus gave the command to Peter to feed his lambs. The pastor has a great responsibility when it comes to feeding the lambs the new born babes in Christ. The pastor needs to be with his flock if he is to know their needs. Also the church must be the light house. The Bible plainly says to let your light shine before men. Let it shine out before the world. The church must hold up the banner of Jesus Christ.

It is the duty of the church to have the best training that they can give to the young christians, which are the lambs.

Carson Eggers, Chairman

On a motion to adopt the report Carson Eggers made brief talks. The report was adopted. Other speakers were Rev. J. T. Laws, Rev. W. J. Cook, N. L. Harrison, Rev. R. L. Shores and Rev. J. T. Hendrix.

Mrs. J. M. Coffey read the report on Intemperence.

INTEMPERANCE REPORT

There is much to be said about the different forms of intemperance. The most harmful of these, I believe, is the excessive drinking of alcoholic beverages because so many different sins go along with it. Surely no sensible person begins to drink with the intention of acquiring the drink habit, nevertheless, three out of every ten individuals who drink will acquire the drink habit. The habitual use of alcoholic beverages takes a heavy toll of lives; it reduces the life expectancy by many years. No one in this day would think seriously of imposing the death sentence upon an individual for having become a drunkard, but the children of Israel had such a law. In Deuteronomy 21:18-21 there is found the provision that if a man had a stubborn rebellious and drunken son who would not obey his parents in spite of repeated chastenings, the parents were to prefer charges against him before the elders of the city and upon conviction, he was to be stoned to death. The drink habit has cost not only in terms of the life which now is but of the life which is to come.

In I Corinthians 6:9-11. the Apostle Paul gives a list of those who shall not inherit the Kingdom of God. Drunkards are included in this list, therefore, the drink habit will deprive us of heaven and will separate us from our loved ones who have been loyal to Christ. It causes one to lose his love for Christ and for the finer things of life. It causes one to lose his influence as a Christian. There can hardly be found a quicker way of losing one's influence as a Christian than by acquiring the drink habit, even though one's indulgence be moderate. It deprives one of happiness, self-respect, and reputation; one of the chief reasons why men and women drink is their desire to find happiness, however, instead of bringing happiness, it brings unhappiness. Liquors have been appropriately designated as home breaker No. 1 in our nation.

CAN THE DRINK HABIT BE OVERCOME?

In many cases the effort to break the drink habit fails completely and seems utterly hopeless, and yet, the drink habit can be broken. The Apostle Paul reminded the Corinthians that drunkards and other unrighteous individuals would not inherit the Kingdom of God. He added: And such but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus by the spirit of our God. (What can Christians do about alcoholic beverages?) There are many things which Christians can and should do about this with reference to the use of alcoholic beverages.

(1) Refrain entirely from their use, if we will do this we will never become a victim of the drink habit.

(2) Point victims of this habit to God. He and He alone can release them from this bondage.

(3) Acquaint others and especially young people, with the true nature of alcohol.

It has well been said, "The liquor industry would destroy the church if it could; the church could destroy the liquor industry if it would."

Respectfully submitted,
Benson Coffey

Mrs. J. M. Coffey, N. L. Harrison, Rev. D. M. Wheeler and Benson Coffey discussed the report. It was adopted.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE REPORT

It's the duty of us as fathers and mothers to have religious literature in our homes and Bible stories for our children to read, for if we read the Bible and other religious books before them they will follow on.

Children usually read what they find at home and some homes have literature that is not for them to read. The Bible says, "Teach a child in the way it should go."

Ronda Dillard, Chairman of Committee

Speaking on report were: Ronda Dillard, Rev. J. T. Hendrix, Stewart Ford, N. L. Harrison, Rev. W. J. Cook. It was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The moderator called the session to order and the congregation sang "When I Can Read My Titles Clear." Rev. Carson Eggers brought a brief message after reading 2nd chapter of Rev. 1-7, and offered prayer.

Mrs. Lynn Waters read the report on W. M. U. work, on motion to adopt the women's work was discussed by Mrs. W. K. McGee. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

The work of Women's Missionary Union was organized in the Stony Fork Association April 10, 1956.

We now have 4 organizations with 43 members of which 13 of these are tithers. Our offerings in December for Foreign Missions were \$111.15. Our offerings in March for Home Missions were \$33.28. Total offerings for Missions were \$283.99.

Mrs. Earl James, Elkin, N. C., our Regional Supt., came to our association in October, 1956 and taught us a study course on Japan.

Paul Gillespie, whose parents were missionaries to China for many years, came in February 1957, and spoke at Mt. Vernon, Laurel Fork, Sandy Flat and Yellow Hill churches. He spoke on conditions in China and on Missions. Our annual W. M. U. meeting was held with Mt. Vernon Church, May 2nd, 1957, Mrs. Robert Stanley, Jr., missionary to Brazil being our missionary speaker.

I am truly grateful for the beginning of W. M. U. work in the Stony Fork Association and will you as pastors and leaders and all Christians pray with me that God will send forth laborers from Stony

Fork Association into His harvest that we too might have a part in the great commission that Jesus left in the hands of his followers to "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Mrs. Lynn Waters,
Supt. W. M. U.

DIGEST OF LETTERS REPORT

In 1956 all churches paid pastors \$5,526.25. In 1957 they paid pastors \$5,121.69. The churches gave \$1,450.83 to all mission causes in 1956. In 1957 they gave to all mission causes \$1,866.76. Grand total for expenditures for all churches in 1956 was \$13,625.52, and in 1957 it was \$15,237.57. In 1956 we gained 122 members and lost 63. In 1957 we gained 54 members and lost 71.

J. Merritt Coffey, Chairman

The moderator spoke on the report. On motion the report was adopted.

OBITUARIES REPORT

Our Beloved Dead

Since our last association God has called 11 of our loved ones away from us.

Boones Fork—Mrs. Flora Coffey, Mrs. Julia Coffey.

Doe Ridge—Mrs. Ida Trivette.

Laurel Fork—Mrs. Belle Hatton.

Long Ridge—Mr. S. A. Woody.

Mt. Vernon—Mr. Squire Greene, Mrs. Etha Van Dyke, Mrs. Hellen Storie.

New Hopewell—Mrs. Bessie Coffey, Mr. Leason E. Gragg.

Yellow Hill—Mr. Glen Beshears.

Mrs. J. M. Coffey, Chairman

FINANCIAL REPORT

The treasurer made the following report:

Receipts:

Associational Missionary

March	\$25.00
April	\$25.00
July	\$ 4.67

Total	\$54.67
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Receipts (Minute Fund) 1956	\$112.00
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Cost for printing Minutes	90.00
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Clerk	20.00
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Postage	2.00
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Total	\$112.00
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Received for Minute Fund	\$102.47
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ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT

The first work that I did was to go to Hopkins Chapel, and on my way I heard that New Hopewell was without a pastor. Bro. Brackett and I made an appointment and started a revival Sunday night, Oct. 14, 1956. They called Bro. W. T. Brackett as their pastor.

I went to Hopkins for five Sundays to see if they could get organized again. But there were not enough people within reach of this church. Only five families lived in the community and most of them had already moved their letters to Edgemont and Long Ridge churches. So it was voted at the executive committee meeting to let it be as a non-cooperative church.

I visited most of them in the association. Some I have been more than once, Grandmother Gap Church disbanded, Hartley Hill went back to Long Ford. I was called as assistant pastor in the Spring at Boones Fork. In July I was called as their pastor. I spent 6 weeks at Fruitland Baptist Institute. I went to the Baptist Hospital January 29th, 1957 for a meeting and on to Thomasville Orphanage. I traveled 1800 miles during the year in associational work. Received from the association and the churches that I visited \$140.14.

Carson Eggers, Asso. Missionary

Report on Place and Preacher.

The next session of Stony Fork Association will be held with Laytown Baptist Church, first day and with Rock Springs second day. Time: September 16-17, 1958. The annual sermon will be given by the Reverend Carson Eggers. Alternate, Wm. M. Brown.

It was moved and seconded to retain Rev. Carson Eggers as associational missionary and also retain Rev. W. J. Cook as assistant moderator. Motion carried that the associational directors and committees to report in 1958 be appointed at the next executive committee meeting which will be Sept. 29, 1957 at Bailey Camp as we ran short for time at this session.

Motion was made and seconded that the Rules of Decorum and Articles of Faith be printed in next Minutes, and that same be read first thing after the next session convenes in 1958.

Moved and seconded that we have tables put in minutes for W. M. U. and Training Union.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We the members of the Stony Fork Baptist Association express deepest heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the people and pastors of Mt. Vernon and Sandy Flat Baptist churches for their warm welcome, the fine food and session. We also appreciate all who attended one or both days.

We wish to express thanks to the moderator, clerk and officers for their services. May you at Mt. Vernon and Sandy Flat and the entire association continue to press on in the work for our Lord. May God's rich blessings rest on you.

Arlen Ford, Chairman

Speakers on Resolutions were Rev. Theo Hendrix, N. L. Harrison, Arlen Ford and Mrs. Lynn Waters.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn this session. The next session will meet with Laytown and Rock Springs Baptist churches September 10 and 11, 1958.

The congregation sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." A general hand shaking of love and fellowship followed.

Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator
J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

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CHURCHES	Location Rural-V.T.C.	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		GAINS	LOSSES	TOTAL		SPECIAL INFORMATION								
								Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Bailey Camp	R	1938	2-4	Bryum Trivette, Deep Gap, N. C.	2	—	7	—	65	17	82	1	—	—	—	—	—	346.16
Boonas Fork	R	1872	2-4	Carson Eggers, Blowing Rock, N. C.	0	—	4	—	35	48	83	1	—	—	—	—	—	119.17
Doe Ridge	R	—	2-4	Arent Greer, Trade, Tennessee	1	—	4	—	38	18	56	1	—	—	—	—	—	197.00
Laurel Fork	R	1855	1-3	M. T. Brackett, Rutherford College,	0	—	7	—	—	—	125	1	4	—	—	—	—	724.66
Laytown	R	1939	1-3	J. T. Laws, Rt. 7, Lenoir, N. C.	3	1	—	—	58	20	78	2	—	—	—	—	—	180.00
Long Ridge	R	1945	2-4	G. H. Dellinger, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	1	2	2	—	50	53	103	1	—	—	—	—	—	256.00
Mt. Ephraim	R	1876	2-4	Ben Triplett, Rt. 2, Wilkesboro, N. C.	1	1	—	—	—	—	207	1	—	—	—	—	—	440.36
Mt. Paron	R	1886	1-3	Roscoe Greene, Granite Falls, N. C.	5	—	—	—	—	—	106	1	—	—	—	—	—	493.44
Mt. Vernon	R	1866	1-3	Barnie Oliver, Zionville, N. C.	—	4	16	—	212	107	319	—	5	—	—	—	—	1261.00
Mt. View	R	—	—	Not Represented	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Hopeswell	R	1870	1-3	M. T. Brackett, Rutherford College	17	5	5	—	58	48	106	2	—	—	—	—	—	273.05
Rock Springs	R	1891	2-4	J. T. Laws, Rt. 8, Lenoir, N. C.	1	—	7	—	38	34	72	1	—	—	—	—	—	223.93
Rock View	R	1923	1-3	Ben Triplett, North Wilkesboro	—	—	—	—	—	—	106	1	—	—	—	—	—	194.94
Sandy Flat	R	1928	1-3	Clyde Cornett, Reese, N. C.	4	—	2	—	—	—	93	2	4	—	—	—	—	429.07
Watauga	R	—	—	C. J. Helton, Hudson, N. C.	1	3	4	—	115	40	155	2	—	—	—	—	—	353.35
Yellow Hill	R	1850	2-4	Henry Smith, Deep Gap, N. C.	—	2	13	—	127	41	168	1	—	—	—	—	—	123.00

Table C TRAINING UNION		TRAINING UNION ENROLLMENT																
		CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primories	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	Mission Enrolment	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Observe Youth Week	
Laurel Fork	Clark Storie, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.		7	—	10	—	12				20	—		6	55	33		
Mt. Vernon	W. M. Brown, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.		—	8	12	12	20			—	—	20	4	76	40	—		
New Hopewell	Mrs. Odell Coffey, Newland, N. C.		—	—	1	4	6					—	—	17				

Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION		PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES													
CHURCHES															
Laurel Fork	Mrs. Fae Storie, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock, N. C.	1	W.M.S. Units		Y.W.A. Units		G.A. Units		Sunbeam Units	1	Total Units	12	Total Enrolled	4	Total Tithers All Organizations
Laytown	Mrs. Ruth Dillard, Rt. 5, Lenoir, N. C.	1	W.M.S. Units		Y.W.A. Units		G.A. Units		Sunbeam Units	1	Total Units	7	Total Enrolled	0	Total Tithers All Organizations
Mt. Vernon	Miss Winifred Hampton, Blowing Rock, N. C.	1	W.M.S. Units		Y.W.A. Units		G.A. Units		Sunbeam Units	1	Total Units	11	Total Enrolled	5	Total Tithers All Organizations
Sandy Flat	Mrs. Lynn Waters, Rt. 3, Boone, N. C.	1	W.M.S. Units		Y.W.A. Units		G.A. Units		Sunbeam Units	1	Total Units	10	Total Enrolled	4	Total Tithers All Organizations

Table G and H TOTAL GIFTS

AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES-

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES		Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Bailey Camp	Odell Story, Blowing Rock, N. C.		2056.96	—	48.75	1153.95	43.89	—	68.79	—	106.53	1426.91	346.16	1773.07
Boone's Fork	Mrs. C. E. Coffey, Blowing Rock		304.28	—	—	—	17.04	10.00	62.56	—	52.97	142.57	119.17	261.74
Doe Ridge	Eston Moretz, Zionville, N. C.		310.00	—	10.00	—	22.00	—	47.00	—	12.00	103.00	197.00	288.00
Laurel Fork	Fae Storie, Blowing Rock, N. C.		1504.54	90.13	16.75	54.00	178.52	51.70	53.00	—	127.57	571.67	724.66	1296.33
Laytown	F. J. Triplett, Rt. 5, Lenoir		653.00	30.00	—	157.00	52.00	—	70.00	—	53.00	362.00	180.00	542.00
Long Ridge	Ooy Woody, Jonas Ridge, N. C.		1125.00	—	—	46.00	104.00	—	—	—	—	150.00	256.00	441.42
Mt. Ephraim	Bob Hodges, Triplett, N. C.		755.21	—	75.00	—	39.07	15.00	—	—	156.56	285.85	440.36	725.99
Mt. Pt. Paron	Ruesan Watson, Deep Gap, N. C.		—	—	—	—	50.00	240.91	—	400.00	—	690.91	493.44	1184.35
Mt. Vernon	Carrie Critcher, Rt. 1, B. Rock		4454.00	208.00	213.00	1144.00	210.00	109.00	35.00	—	173.00	2092.00	1261.00	3353.00
Mt. View	No Report		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Hopewell	Odell Coffey, Newland, N. C.		527.97	—	—	—	21.77	66.96	92.61	—	—	181.34	273.05	454.39
Rock Springs	J. W. Dawson, Ferguson, N. C.		409.51	75.40	15.20	—	15.40	—	51.10	—	6.00	163.10	223.93	387.03
Rock View	Ronda Robbins, Ferguson		1151.19	—	—	527.69	14.80	—	141.51	—	12.00	696.00	194.94	890.94
Sandy Flat	Lloyd Coffey, Rt. 3, Boone, N. C.		1162.52	—	287.26	—	59.90	141.99	76.55	—	—	565.70	429.07	994.77
Metauga	Mrs. Jeffery Shook, Banner Elk		878.92	—	—	115.00	80.80	—	149.64	—	60.00	404.64	353.35	757.99
Yellow Hill	Ooy N. Church, Furlear, N. C.		5.17	60.00	160.00	27.00	40.00	—	70.00	—	57.00	414.00	123.00	557.00

**Table 1 and J MISSION EXPENDITURES
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CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Bailey Camp	Charlie Price, Blowing Rock, N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		263.50	20.39	—	283.89	2056.96
Boones Fork	J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock, N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		30.54	12.00	—	42.54	304.28
Doe Ridge	Eston Koretz, Zionsville, N. C.	6.00	—	—	—	—		—	12.00	4.00	22.00	310.00
Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, Blowing Rock, N. C.	—	20.00	20.50	13.60	23.00		98.75	17.00	15.36	208.21	1504.54
Laytown	Mrs. Nora Dillard, Rt. 5, Lenoir, N. C.	13.00	—	—	—	13.00		—	25.00	60.00	111.00	653.00
Long Ridge	Mrs. Ray Clark, Pineola, N. C.	5.42	—	—	—	—		—	13.00	17.00	35.42	441.42
Mt. Ephraim	Virgil Greer, Triplett, N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		10.00	19.22	—	29.22	755.21
Mt. Paron	Russan Watson, Deep Gap, N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
Mt. Vernon	Miss Winifred Hampton, Rt. 1, B. Rock, N. C.	98.00	19.00	—	49.00	21.00		535.00	43.00	—	765.00	4118.00
Mt. View	No Report	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
New Hopewell	Odell Coffey, Newland, N. C.	5.00	10.88	5.00	—	—		4.00	4.00	21.00	49.88	504.27
Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Ferguson, N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		10.00	10.00	2.48	22.48	409.51
Rock View	Willie Eller, Ferguson N. C.	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	—	—
Sandy Flat	Lloyd Coffey, Rt. 3, Boone, N. C.	10.60	17.63	15.43	27.20	58.83		27.25	10.76	—	167.75	1162.52
Watauga	Jeffery Shook, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	—	—	—	4.37	—		105.00	—	11.56	109.37	8.92
Yellow Hill	Mrs. Coy N. Church, Rt. 1, Purlear, N. C.	10.00	—	—	—	—		—	10.00	—	—	557.00



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Next session will be held with New Hope
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Tuesday and Wednesday, September 15th
and 16th, 1959.

Annual Sermon by Rev. W. J. Cook
Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator
J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk
Miss Winifred Hampton, Treasurer

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS**TUESDAY MORNING**

- 9:00- 9:15 Devotional
9:15- 9:30 Call to Order and Election of Officers
9:30- 9:45 Moderators Address
9:45-10:00 Recognition of Visitors and Roll Call
10:00-10:30 Missions
10:30-11:00 Hospitals
11:00-12:00 Annual Sermon

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00- 1:15 Devotional
1:15- 1:45 Baptist Children's Homes of N. C.
1:45- 2:00 N. C. Homes for Aging
2:00- 2:15 Sunday Schools and V. B. S.
2:15- 2:45 Christian Education
2:45- 3:00 Woman's Missionary Union
3:00- 3:30 Baptist Training Union
3:30 Adjournment until Wednesday Morning

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

- 9:00- 9:15 Devotional
9:15- 9:30 Relief and Annuity
9:30- 9:45 Duties of Pastors and Churches
9:45-10:00 Temperance
10:00-10:30 Religious Literature
10:30-11:00 General Discussion
11:00-12:00 Sermon

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:00- 1:15 Devotional
1:15- 1:30 Finance Report
1:30- 1:45 Obituaries
1:45- 2:00 Digest of Letters
2:00- 2:15 Place and Preacher
2:15- 2:45 Associational Missionary Report
2:45- 3:00 Committee Appointment, Executive Report
3:00- 3:30 Resolutions Report
3:30 Adjourn

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

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Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator	Hays, N. C.
Rev. W. J. Cook, Vice Moderator	Rt. 1, Boone, N. C.
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Schools and Colleges	Rev. W. J. Bracket, Sugar Grove
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Director	Rev. W. J. Bracket, Rt. 1, Sugar Grove
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COMMITTEE TO REPORT IN 1959

Missions	Rev. W. J. Cook
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Temperance	Rev. Ronda Dillard
Religious Literature	Miss Irma Critcher
Finance Report	Miss Winifred Hampton
Obituaries	Mrs. J. M. Coffey
Digest of Letters	J. Merritt Coffey
Place and Preachers	Irdell Henderson
Resolution	Howard Hayes

Please read your minutes, and don't forget your report, bring it if possible, and if not send it in. — Thank You.

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Rev. J. T. Laws, Lenoir.
Rev. Ben Triplett, Route 2, Wilkesboro.
Rev. Abert Shouns, Purlear.
Rev. Dallas Watson, Deep Gap.

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Rev. Ivey Coffey, Route 8, Lenoir.
Rev. Ronda Dillard, Route 5, Lenoir.
Rev. Howard Greene, Deep Gap.
Rev. John Jackson, Boone.
Rev. Earl Miller, Triplette.

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BAILEY CAMP: Ransom Harmon, Vernon Bolick, Charlie Price.
BOONES FORK: J. Merritt Coffey.
DOG RIDGE: Kenneth Brown.
LAUREL FORK: Buster Ford, Clark Storie.
LAYTOWN: Rev. Ronda Dillard, Mrs. Ruth Dillard, Mr. Fritz Dula,
Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Dillar, Mrs. Fritz Dula.
LONG RIDGE: Rev. E. O. Bustle, Alfred Woody, Lucy Webb, Gertrude
Woody.
MT. EPHRAIM: Olen Miller.
MT. PARON: Dallas Watson, Nadine Watson, Ruby Watson.
MT. VERNON: N. L. Harrison, Johnnie Gragg.
NEW HOPEWELL: Obie Gragg, Mrs. Obie Gragg, Mrs. Roosevelt
Gragg.
ROCK SPRINGS: Charlotte Dawson, Armelia Dula, R. C. Woods.
ROCK VIEW:
SANDY FLAT: Mr. R. L. Waters, Irdell Henderson.
WATAUGA: By Letter.
YELLOW HILL: By Letter.

P R O C E E D I N G S

FIRST DAY

The Stony Fork Baptist Association met for its 97th annual session, with Laytown Baptist Church, September 16, 1958.

It opened by singing "Leaning On the Everlasting Arms." Rev. W. J. Bracket conducted the devotional, reading from Romans 15:1-10. Rev. Bracket led in prayer after which the congregation sang "Just Over In the Glory Land."

The association was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Theo Hendrix, for the transaction of business.

The abstract of principles of the Stony Fork Association and the Rules of Decorum were read by Rev. W. J. Bracket,

The time being at hand to elect officers for the association, it was moved and seconded to enter into the election of a moderator, clerk, and treasurer. He appointed as tellers: Rev. Guy Kane and Rev. Marvin Saunders. Delegates voted by ballot. They reported that Rev. Hendrix was elected moderator, J. Merritt Coffey, clerk; and Miss Winifred Hampton, treasurer. The moderator gave his address.

The following visitors were recognized: Rev. Marvin Saunders, Caldwell Association; Rev. Guy Kane, general missionary for Three Forks Association; Rev. Fred Brown, Mars Hill College; Dr. W. K. McGee, Baptist Hospital; Rev. J. Hoyt Roberson, Three Forks Association; Rev. John W. Crinkley, Mitchell Association; Rev. C. J. Morris, Children's Homes of N. C.; Rev. Charles P. Burchette, Jr., Homes for Aging.

The clerk called the roll of churches and twelve churches answered to their names, two churches reported by letter, two churches did not report. There is a total of 16 churches in the association.

The report on missions was ready by Rev. Eggers, and was spoken on by Rev. Guy Kane and adopted.

The report on North Carolina Baptist Hospital was read by Mrs. R. L. Waters.

The congregation sang "Amazing Grace." Rev. Eggers preached the annual sermon. His text was taken from Romans 6:1-10, after which prayer was led by Rev. Roberson. The congregation sang "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus." A fellowship hand shake followed. Adjourned for dinner. A bountiful dinner was served.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional period was opened with a hymn "When We All Get To Heaven." The devotion was conducted by Rev. Bustle, pastor of Long Ridge Church. He used as his text John 3:16, and offered prayer. The moderator called the association to order.

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

The Baptist Children's Homes of N. C., and Charity and Children still serve with Carolina Baptists in promoting the kingdom of God, by keeping us informed that we should look after child care. Let's do something about that child's care. What do you think? Give the answer to suit yourself.

N. L. Harrison, Chairman

The report on Baptist Children's Homes was read by N. L. Harrison. Rev. C. J. Morris representing the homes and N. L. Harrison spoke on the subject. It was adopted.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

Bible Schools of the Stony Fork Association for the summer of 1958 show the totals: 13 churches had Bible Schools, enrollment was 647, average attendance 566, cooperative offerings were \$127.34, and the cost was \$151.23.

Several accepted Christ as their Savior and there were many dedications.

N. L. Harrison, Chairman

Report was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In the trying times are now living, our minds and hearts should be more centered on Christian Education for all people.

We should take advantage of the opportunity we now have of giving to our children the Christian Education that our colleges are prepared to give. Today as never before, sin is raging in the world. The better Christian Educational Training we can give to the youth of our land the better we can combat evil. There are many ways of training in Christian Education. The Sunday Schools, Training Unions and Study Course books play a great part in giving Christian Education to our people.

W. J. Bracket, Committee

Speaking on the Christian Education Report were Rev. Fred Brown of Mars Hill College; N. L. Harrison, Rev. Bracket, Rev. Theo Hendrix, Rev. W. J. Cook, then adopted.

STONY FORK MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SUPPLEMENT

The attached sheets are to be inserted in your Minute Book for the year 1958

MISSION REPORT

State Missions is the Missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptists to reach the unsaved for Christ and teach, enlist, and train the saved in giving, living, and serving through the church and the world.

There are 4,500,000 people in the state. About 2,100,000 of these above the age of eight years are affiliated with some kind of church. About 2,000,000 above the age of eight years are unchurched. Perhaps 25 per cent of the affiliated church members are unsaved, then more than 60 per cent of the people of North Carolina above the age of eight years, are lost in North Carolina, therefore, is not half Christian.

We have over 846,000 Baptist church members in North Carolina. Perhaps 40 per cent are enlisted and serving. This means that 60 per cent are out in the world in this undeveloped area the churches have their primary challenge.

Since 60 per cent of people in North Carolina are lost they need the Savior. So what are we as churches going to do? The program that we have if it is carried out in the right manner will get a lot of these lost people saved and into the service of our Lord. We had reported 1330 more baptisms in 1957 than in 1956. North Carolina Baptist churches baptized more people last year than any other state except Texas.

There are two reasons I want to mention why we should win them. First, because they are lost, and going to hell if they are not won to the Savior. Second, the Catholics are winning them and if we let them take over they are still going to be lost. Let us get on fire for our Savior. Let us watch and be sober and arise from our sleep.

Carson Eggers, Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Our Baptist Hospital provides a well-rounded program of medical care and training under Christian guidance and influence.

It serves our people when they are sick and need specialized medical care which requires facilities beyond those available in their own communities. The hospital works in full cooperation with our local physicians. It offers a wide range of specialized training in the different fields of medicine and surgery, in nursing, in various other fields of medical care, and in pastoral care.

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Last year the hospital provided bed care for 16,000 patients. There were 120,000 visits to the clinics and offices of the medical staff and chaplains. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of the state. The services of the medical staff were given free to all service patients, and the hospital spent more than half a million dollars in providing free care for them beyond what they were able to pay.

A service patient pays what he can of the cost of this care. To help make up the difference between what he can pay and the cost, the hospital has some assistance from welfare agencies and the Duke Endowment for patients who can qualify, but it must depend primarily upon the Mother's Day offerings. This fund can be used only in cases of real need and after the patient's family has paid all it can and all other possible help has been secured.

Two factors are forcing the hospital to seek a largely increased Mother's Day support if it is to be able to continue such a service to our sick: First, hospital costs everywhere have increased more than 30% in the last five years; Second, as the number of North Carolina Baptists increases, the demand for this service increases.

Fortunately there has been an increase in the amount of Mother's Day offerings, also. These contributions have grown by 20% in the last five years. Yet, it is clear that only through greatly increased support by our churches can the hospital hope to continue to give the large volume of free service it has been giving to our people.

We believe Baptists of North Carolina will provide the necessary funds if they realize the need, for we have found that when churches acquaint their people with the need, the response is excellent. When the hospital movie and the slide film have been shown and an active effort has been made to present the Mother's Day program, offerings have been generous. Our need, therefore, is simply for our churches to inform their people of the need more effectively. We shall be happy to assist you in your efforts.

R. L. Waters, Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The Homes for Aging are now in their eighth year of operation — Resthaven opened March 16, 1951; the Albemarle Home, December 7, 1953; and the Administration Building, Winston-Salem, June 13, 1957. The three homes have facilities for 119—counting residents and helpers. The average number of residents will exceed 100.

Efforts were launched in June to raise \$100,000 to match a gift of Mr. Don G. Matthews, Sr., of \$50,000 and land on which to build a fourth Home for the Aging to be located at Hamilton, Martin County. It is expected that the campaign will be successfully completed this year, and the construction of the new home will then begin. This home will provide facilities for approximately forty residents, giving a total capacity for all three homes of 150 persons.

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The homes have had a good year financially. The auditors' report for the year ending September 30, 1957 showed that the income was \$268,924.58. When the new Administration Building was ready for occupancy, \$103,000 was borrowed to finish paying for construction and equipment. All of this has been repaid except \$20,000. Funds received from the Special Day Offering and the Cooperative Program have helped to meet the current cost of operation. The homes have also received help to meet the current cost of operation. The homes have also received help from individual and corporation gifts. The largest individual gift for the year was \$40,000.

A large number of the residents have been aided financially. Less than ten per cent of the residents have given to the homes assets sufficient to pay their cost of keep for life. Thirteen residents have paid the monthly rate, which is less than the actual cost to the homes. Most of the residents are paying one-third to one-half of their cost of keep. This means, therefore, that the difference in cost is taken from funds received from denominational channels and special gifts by individuals and corporations.

Our program of ministering to the aging presents a great challenge to the 850,000 Baptists of our state. We think, first, of the ever-increasing number of aging friends needing larger dormitory facilities; and, secondly, of doubling the capacity of our infirmary in the Administration Building. It now accommodates fifteen patients, but we should have space for at least thirty. It is estimated that elderly people will become invalids at the rate of ten per cent annually. There have been times when we did not have sufficient room for those who needed to be in the infirmary. Our aging friends must look to our Baptist constituency to meet these pressing needs.

With gratitude to all who have made our present homes possible—churches, individuals and corporations—and with confidence that the Baptists of North Carolina will continue to care for these "old soldiers" of Christ in a deserving way, we look to the future with great hope.

NOTE: The Rev. Charles P. Burchette, Jr., began working with the Baptist Homes for Aging in May, and is living at the Albemarle Baptist Home. He will devote his efforts in the field of promotion and public relations, and will be ready to answer invitations to speak at churches and group meetings as the opportunities are given to him.

J. Merritt Coffey, Chairman

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Although the work of Women's Missionary Union in the Stony Fork Association is still very young, since it was organized in April of 1956, I feel that we are going forward rapidly.

We had five associational meetings this year. Leadership meeting in October 1954 at Mt. Vernon Church, a study course on Africa by Mrs. Walter Jones of Oak Grove in November 1957.

In December 1957, John McGee, missionary to Nigeria, came to Sandy Flat and showed slides on the work there. Our annual WMU meeting was held with Sandy Flat Church, May 1, 1958. Our speakers were Miss Pearl Todd, missionary to China and Japan; and Miss Miriam Refinson, W. M. U. executive secretary of North Carolina and Mrs. Earl C. James, regional superintendent. There were three churches represented, 47 present, and visitors from Three Forks Association. In June 1958, Miss Beverly Neilson, State Sunbeam leader came and spoke to the Laurel Forks Church concerning our youth. At this meeting we had three churches represented and 45 present. Also, Mt. Vernon organized a Sunbeam band.

The total amount given to Home Missions by the W. M. U. of the Stony Fork Association was \$47.55 and to foreign missions, \$136.75.

We have a total membership of 54. We hope soon to get a youth group organized that they may catch a vision of the fields that are ready to harvest.

I feel that God is working in the hearts of those who desire to see the kingdom work of our Lord go forward and truly that is the work of W. M. U. that the whole world may know Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour and that we may be laborers together with God. I Corinthians 3:9.

Mrs. Lynn Waters, Supt.

Spoken on by Mrs. Waters and adopted.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

In the 6th chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, we read that after Jesus had taught the disciples, he sent them out to work and gave them power to cast out devils and heal the sick. When we are saved and have been taught the work of God we have a desire to work for him.

The Training Union provides a place for the young Christian to work. It gives training by helping them to establish the habit of daily Bible reading and prayer and trains them to take their place in the local church. We have lessons in Bible study and doctrine to make us stronger in the faith. We also learn about our mission work at home and on the foreign fields.

Every church needs a Training Union to help train more workers to labor in the harvest to win the lost. We need to learn that our power comes from God through prayer.

Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest. Matthew 9:38.

Miss Winifred Hamptom, Chairman

BTU report was read by Johnnie Gragg and spoken to by Rev. Bracket. It was adopted.

After prayer the meeting adjourned until Wednesday.

SECOND DAY

At 9:15 Wednesday morning the association met at Rock Springs Baptist Church.

The devotion was opened by singing two hymns: "The Blood That Stained the Old Rugged Cross," and "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." The Rev. Laws conducted the devotional reading from Isaiah 12:1-6. His topic was "Drawing Water From the Well of Salvation."

The moderator called the association to order. The association gave the moderator power to appoint a vice moderator after which Rev. Cook was appointed.

Rev. Eggers and Rev. Bracket were appointed to prepare a report on Duties of Pastors and Churches.

INTEMPERANCE REPORT

The report was ready by the clerk. Intemperance is a question that has been the chief topic of all men and women who look for better things in life. We know of many things pertaining to intemperance. Anything we do to excess is intemperance. Many of us eat too much, smoke too much and perhaps talk too much at the wrong time and place.

But in my opinion the most harmful and sinful form of intemperance is the use of alcoholic drinking.

It is wrecking the lives and morals of millions of our teenage boys and girls. It is causing homes to become broken up, accidents on the highways, and many other sources of damage.

So let us all as Christian men and women, do everything we can to put evil down, and teach and train our young people to keep away from it.

Mrs. Hardin B. Coffey, Chairman

Speakers on Temperance Report were: Rev. Dillard, N. L. Harrison, Dallas Watson, Rev. Cook, Rev. Laws, J. T. Woods, Rev. Hendrix. Then it was adopted.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

A God-called pastor has a great responsibility to the people that God has appointed him to. He should be working in the midst of his people trying to help them morally and spiritually. A pastor should keep himself unspotted from the world, that the finger of scorn can't be pointed at him. He is the leader and under the shepherd, he is the man God has laid his hand on and appointed for his messenger.

I Peter 5:2 states: "Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof. Not by constraint but willingly, not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind.

The church of Christ is the bride of Christ and in everything should live as near like Christ as possible.

The church should let its light shine that souls would see the light and be born into the kingdom of God.

A church to be advancing the cause of Christ must give the pastor its prayers and material support that the Gospel will not go lacking. It also must be an obedient church sending the Gospel to all the world. God gave the command to all men, "Go ye." All members of the church are to fill their places at the appointed hour. In Hebrews 10:25, Paul said, "Not forsaking the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another. As so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

Rev. W. J. Bracket,

Rev. Eggers, Committee

Speakers on Duties of Pastors and Churches were Rev. Bracket and N. L. Harrison.

Miss Irma Critcher read the following report which was adopted:

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

So much has been accomplished through the ages to draw attention to a materialistic life, and to the better ways of life, and to the easier ways of life, bringing morality to a second place in our American homes.

The two agencies which can promote religious literature are the Christian home and the spiritual church. If our homes are Christian, their libraries will contain religious literature. If our churches are spiritual and progressive, they will feed our libraries, Sunday Schools, and training unions.

W. T. Bracket and Irma Critcher spoke to this report given by William Brown, Committee.

In connection with the talks on religious literature, it was moved and seconded and then voted on that a letter be sent to the Saturday Evening Post protesting against the advertising of whiskey in their magazine.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

It was moved and seconded that when our association convenes next year, that we make nominations from the floor for the officers of the association. So that the delegates will know who they wish to vote for. The motion was voted on by ballot and carried.

The motion was made that we go back to a three-man executive committee. The following men were appointed: N. L. Harrison, Gary Hawkins, Ronda Dillard.

As motion was made and carried that the clerk send out programs to the hospitals, homes; both children's and Home for Aging, etc., so that they may know just when our association convenes. This is to be done about 30 days before the association meets.

Adjourned for dinner. A delicious dinner was served.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional period was opened by the congregation singing "A Beautiful Life." Rev. Cook conducted the devotion. He used as his text, I Kings 18:4, Acts 2:39, after which he led in prayer.

The association was called to order by the moderator. The report on Finance was read by Johnnie Gragg.

FINANCE

Associational Mission:

September 1957	\$ 9.83
March 1958	5.15
Receipts for minute fund September 1957	\$114.55
Printing minutes	110.00
Clerk	20.00
Postage	4.00
Total	154.00
The association was in debt, so we wrote the churches and received the following money:	
Doe Ridge	\$ 1.00
Sandy Flat	2.00
Laurel Fork	5.00
Bailey Camp	9.00
Mt. Vernon	10.00
Total	27.00
In Treasury	7.35
Minute fund for 1958	122.64

The association on motion and seconded voted to retain Rev. Eggers as associational missionary; also voted unanimously that each church take an offering every 5th Sunday and send to the treasurer for the associational missionary.

OBITUARIES

Since our last association God has called 15 of our loved ones away from us:

BOONES FORK—Mrs. Etta Norman Holder.

LAUREL FORK—Mrs. Minnie Galyon.

MT. EPHRAIM—Mrs. Rebecca Triplett, Mrs. Mattie Hampton.

MT. PARON—Mrs. Flory Watson.

MT. VERNON—Mrs. Eliza Triplett, Mrs. Martha Critcher, Mr. Jerry Harrison, Mr. Tyre Elrod (Deacon).

NEW HOPEWELL—Mrs. G. F. Coffey.

ROCK SPRINGS—Mrs. G. A. Walters, formerly Miss S. A. Pipes, who was the last one of the 16 members who constituted Rock Springs Baptist Church 1891.

WATAUGA—Mrs. A. V. Moody, Mr. Irish Shook, Mrs. Ettie Berry, Mr. Yarber.

This report was submitted by Mrs. J. M. Coffey and adopted.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

From 14 Churches

In 1957 all churches paid pastors \$5,121.69. In 1958, they paid pastors \$6,010.91. The churches gave \$1,866.75 to all mission causes in 1957. In 1958, they gave to all mission causes \$1,380.33. Grand total expenditures from all churches in 1957 was \$15,237.57. In 1958 it was \$22,268.48. In 1957, we gained 54 members and lost 71. In 1958, we gained 85 members and lost 56.

J. Merritt Coffey, Chairman

Report was adopted.

RELIEF AND ANNUITY REPORT

As we understand, our churches should donate just as much as possible to our pastors so that we can benefit from the Social Security and Retirement Plan. The church pays 5% and the convention pays 5% to the protection for the widow is included when the minister pays his share of 5%.

J. T. Woods, Chairman

Report was adopted.

PLACE AND PREACHER

The next annual session of the Stony Fork Baptist Association will be held with New Hopewell Baptist Church. First day with New Hopewell Baptist Church and the second day with Long Ridge Baptist Church. The time set for the meeting will be Tuesday and Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, the 15th and 16th, 1959.

The annual sermon will be delivered by Rev. W. J. Cook.

Linnie Barnes and Irdell Henderson, Committee Report was adopted.

Direction to these churches:

To New Hopewell Baptist Church. Take Highway 221 from Blowing Rock, west. About 15 miles to Edgemont road, turn left, church is located on this road about 6 miles down, and from the Lenoir way follow up to Globe to New Hopewell.

To Long Ridge Baptist Church by way of Blue Ridge Parkway, the Jonas Ridge road cross the Parkway just East of Pineola, N. C. Follow the Jonas Ridge road east from the Blue Ridge Parkway about 3/4 mile to church. Watch for Jonas Ridge road sign on the Parkway.

It was moved on and seconded to empower the moderator and clerk to make all necessary appointments of committees to finish the work.

RESOLUTIONS REPORT

Rev. Bracket read the report. We, the people of the Stony Fork Association, wish to thank the pastors and people of the Laytown and Rock Springs churches for the warm welcome and the bountiful supply of food. The two days were enjoyed by all.

We also thank the officers and visiting speakers that have helped to make these two days enjoyable.

Most of all we give God thanks.

Mrs. Faye Storie, Committee Chairman

Speaking to this report were Kenneth Brown, Rev. Cook and J. M. Coffey.

It was moved and seconded that we close this session. "I Need No Mansion Here" and handshake of fellowship and love followed. A prayer was led by Rev. Cook.

Rev. Theo Hendrix, Moderator
J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk



Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

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Table D WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION-

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES	Total Tithers All Organizations						
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Laurel Fork	Faye Storie, Blowing rock, N.C.	12	25	15				
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. Mary Sue Hartley, B. Rock, N.C.	--	10	--				
Sandy Flat	Mrs. Lynn Waters, B. Rock, N.C.	--	--	--				
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Table E THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Table F TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES

Laurel Fork
Mt. Vernon

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES

Clark Storie Blowing Rock, N.C.
William Brown, Blowing Rock, N. C.

TRAINING UNION ENROLLMENT

Observe Youth Week	--	--				
Number Training Schools	1	1				
Average Attendance	26	--				
Grand Total Enrolled	70	69				
Mission Enrollment	--	--				
General Officers	6	2				
Adults, 35 and up		--				
Adults, 25-34	32	16				
Young People, Married	--	--				
Young People, Single	18	18				
Intermediates	--	9				
Juniors	10	11				
Primaries	--	--				
Beginners	4	13				
Nursery						

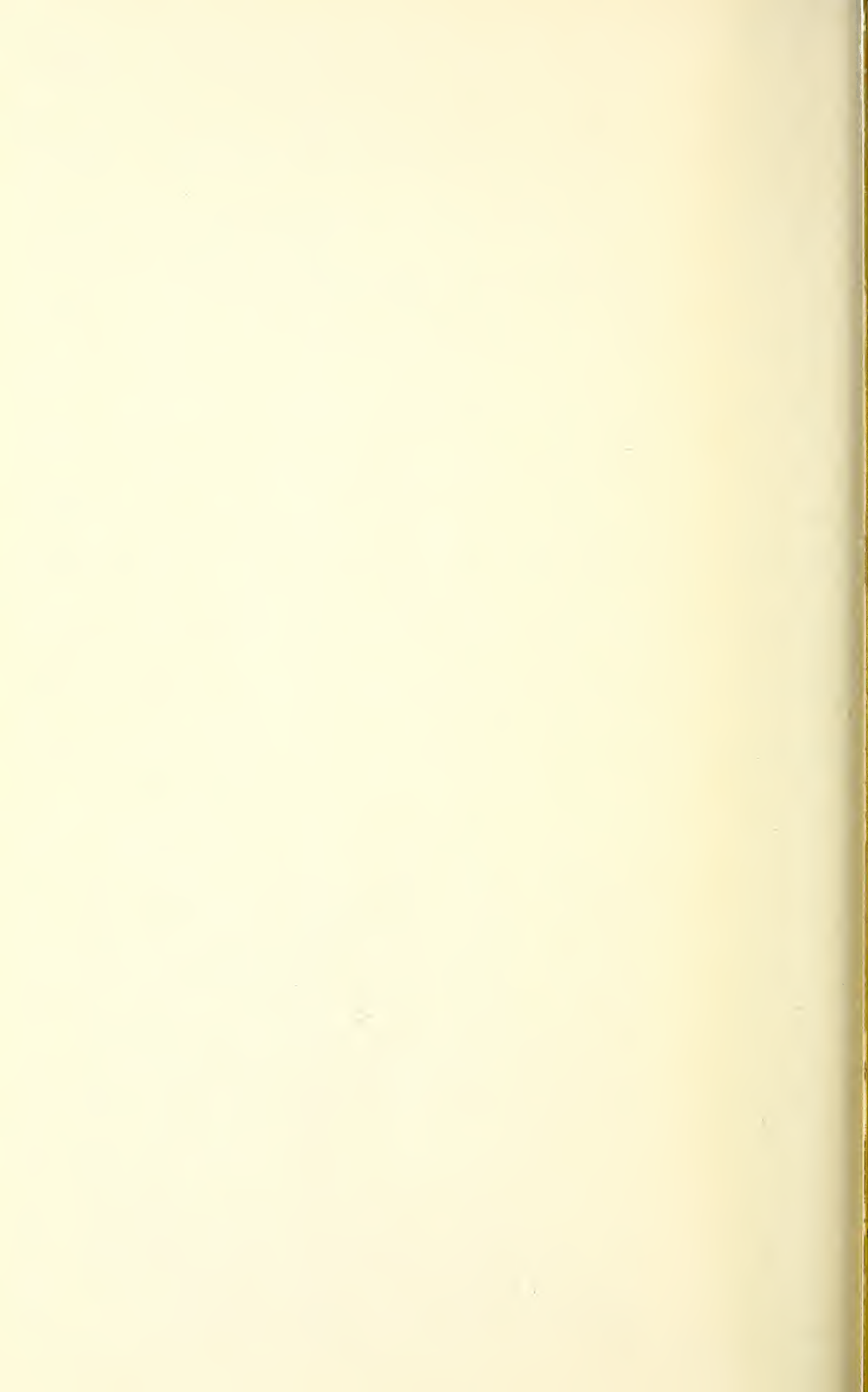
Table H and I TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

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**Table J and K MISSION
EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

Table J and K MISSION		EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES																					
CHURCHES		CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES											Cooperative Program	Associational or District	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Children's Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects (Relief and Annuity, Homes for Aged, Radio-T.V., etc.)	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Bailey Camp		Charlie Price, Blowing Rock, N.C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	18.30	30.35	--	48.65	1 044.47				
Boones Fork		J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock, N.C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	30.02	7.00	10.16	47.18	432.58				
Does Ridge		Eston Moretz, Boone, N.C.	6.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	5.00	10.00	5.00	26.00	228.00				
Laurel Fork		J.C. Storie, Blowing Rock, N.C.	--	5.00	16.85	12.75	34.03	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	160.70	20.00	9.00	258.33	1432.91				
Laytown		Mrs. Nora Dillard, Lenoir, N.C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	25.00	--	25.00	794.00				
Long Ridge		Mrs. Ray Clark, Pineola, N.C.	4.63	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	4.63	4789.63				
Mt. Ephraim		Virgil Greer, Triplett, N.C.	--	--	--	--	14.22	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	20.00	--	34.22	1270.97				
Mt. Paran		Russan Watson, Deep Gap, N.C.	--	--	--	--	6.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	8.00	--	14.00	1560.47				
Mt. Vernon		Miss Winifred Hampton, B. Rock, N.C.	87.00	--	30.00	45.00	120.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	265.50	35.00	--	582.00	5023.00				
Mt. View		No Report	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--				
New Hopewell		Mrs. Edith Barnes, Lenoir, N.C.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	692.55				
Rock Springs		J. T. Woods, Ferguson, N.C.	7.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.00	--	--	2150.00				
Rock View		No Report	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--				
Sandy Flat		Lloyd Coffey, Blowing Rock, N.C.	8.42	9.90	9.77	3.32	63.32	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	20.78	9.63	125.22	683.33				
Watauga		Jeffery Shook, Banner Elk, N.C.	--	--	--	24.60	97.50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	60.00	--	--	182.10	944.66				
Yellow Hill		Leah Church, Boone, N.C.	6.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.00	--	16.00	1677.80				





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Next Session Will Be Held With

MT. PARAN AND BOONE'S FORK BAPTIST CHURCHES

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 13 and 14, 1960

Annual Sermon By Rev. Roscoe Greene; Alternate, Rev. Theo Hendrix

Moderator.....Rev. Carson Eggers

Clerk.....J. Merritt Coffey

Treasurer.....Miss Winifred Hampton

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS**Tuesday Morning Session**

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional
9:15- 9:30—Call To Order and Election of Officers
9:30- 9:45—Moderator's Address
9:45-10:00—Recognition of Visitors and Roll Call
10:00-10:30—Missions
10:30-11:00—Hospital
11:00-12:00—Annual Sermon

Tuesday Afternoon Session

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
1:15- 1:30—Christian Education
1:30- 1:45—Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible Schools
1:45- 2:00—Woman's Missionary Union
2:00- 2:15—Baptist Training Union
2:15- 2:30—Duties of Pastors and Churches
2:30- 2:45—Religious Literature
2:45- 3:00—Relief and Annuity
3:00 —Adjourn Until Wednesday Morning

Wednesday Morning Session

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional
9:15- 9:30—Temperance
9:30-10:00—North Carolina Baptist Homes For The Aging
10:00-10:30—Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina
10:30-11:00—General Discussion
11:00-12:00—Sermon

Wednesday Afternoon Session

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
1:15- 1:30—Finance Report
1:30- 1:45—Obituaries
1:45- 2:00—Digest of Letters
2:00- 2:15—Time, Place and Preacher
2:15- 2:30—Associational Missionary Report
2:30- 2:45—Committee Appointments and Executive Committee Report
2:45- 3:00—Resolutions
Adjourn

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Moderator.....	Rev. Carson Eggers, R-1, Blowing Rock
Vice-Moderator.....	Rev. W. T. Brackett, R-1, Sugar Grove
Clerk.....	J. Merritt Coffey, Box 292, Blowing Rock
Treasurer.....	Miss Winifred Hampton, R-4, Boone

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

Associational Missionary.....	Rev. Ronda Dillard, R-5, Lenoir
Associational Training Union Director.....	Rev. Wendell Critcher, R-4, Boone
Associational W.M.U. President.....	Miss Winifred Hampton, R-4, Boone
Associational Vacation Bible School and Sunday School Superintendent.....	N. L. Harrison, R-4, Boone

ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Hospital.....	J. Merritt Coffey, Box 292, Blowing Rock
Baptist Children's Homes.....	Rev. W. T. Brackett, R-1, Sugar Grove
N. C. Homes For Aging.....	Rev. Carson Eggers, R-1, Blowing Rock
Schools and Colleges.....	Rev. Wendell Critcher, R-4, Boone

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

N. L. Harrison, Chairman.....	R-4, Boone
Ronda Dillard.....	R-5, Lenoir
Clark Storie.....	R-4, Boone

COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1960

Missions.....	R. L. Waters
Hospital.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Christian Education.....	Rev. Wendell Critcher
Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.....	N. L. Harrison
Woman's Missionary Union.....	Miss Winifred Hampton
Baptist Training Union.....	Janette Storie
Duties of Pastors and Churches.....	Johnnie Gragg
Religious Literature.....	Mrs. Merritt Coffey
Relief and Annuity.....	Coy Woody
Temperance.....	Kenneth B. Brown
N. C. Homes For Aging.....	Rev. Carson Eggers
Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.....	Rev. W. T. Brackett
Finance Report.....	Miss Winifred Hampton
Obituaries.....	Mrs. C. E. Coffey
Digest of Letters.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Time, Place and Preacher.....	Russan Watson and Johnnie Gragg
Resolutions.....	Mrs. Clark Storie

Please send your report to the Clerk with your letter. If not, please have it prepared when you come to the Association. Thank you.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. W. M. Brown.....	R-4, Boone
Rev. W. T. Brackett.....	R-1, Sugar Grove
Rev. W. J. Cook.....	R-1, Boone
Rev. Lonnie Carlton.....	Triplett
Rev. Carson Eggers.....	R-1, Blowing Rock
Rev. Johnnie Greene.....	Deep Gap
Rev. Roscoe Greene.....	Granite Falls
Rev. Theo Hendrix.....	Hayes
Rev. J. T. Laws.....	R-8, Lenoir
Rev. Ben Triplett.....	Wilkesboro
Rev. Albert Shouns.....	Purlear
Rev. Dallas Watson.....	Deep Gap

LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. Ivey W. Coffey.....	R-8, Lenoir
Rev. Wendell Critcher.....	R-4, Boone
Rev. Ronda Dillard.....	R-5, Lenoir
Rev. John Jackson.....	Boone

MESSENGERS

BAILEY CAMP — Lank Tolbert, Ransom Harmon, Max Ford, Mrs. Ransom Harmon

BOONE'S FORK — Dennis Rupert, Mrs. Dennis Rupert, Mrs. Merritt Coffey, Mrs. Toy Rupert.

DOE RIDGE — Wade Moretz, Edd Barnes, Walter Tester.

LAUREL FORK — Marion Ford, Mrs. Martha Ford.

LAYTOWN — Mrs. F. J. Triplett, Mrs. Fritts Dula, Mrs. Ethel Dillard.

LONG RIDGE — Alfred Woody, Mrs. Roy Woody, Rev. E. O. Bustle.

MT. EPHRAIM — Elmer Triplett, Virgil Cox.

MT. PARAN — Dallas Watson, Russan Watson, Mrs. Russan Watson.

MT. VERNON — Wendell Critcher, Mrs. Will Critcher, Mrs. Billy Cook, Mrs. Milton Gragg, Miss Winifred Hampton.

NEW HOPEWELL — Ralph Gragg, Spencer Coffey.

ROCK SPRINGS — Carroll Woods, Amelia Dula.

SANDY FLAT — Mr. R. L. Waters, Mrs. R. L. Waters.

WATAUGA — By Letter.

YELLOW HILL — By Letter.

PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

The Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association met for its Ninety-Eighth Annual Session, with New Hopewell Baptist Church, September 15, 1959.

The congregation sang "Have You Really Been A Friend To Him."

Rev. W. T. Brackett conducted the devotions, reading the tenth chapter of Romans, and led in prayer. Then sang "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms."

The session was called to order by Rev. W. T. Brackett. The time being at hand to elect officers for this session, it was moved and seconded to make nominations from the floor. The following were nominated: Rev. Carson Eggers and Rev. W. T. Brackett for Moderator; J. Merritt Coffey for Clerk; Miss Winifred Hampton for Treasurer. By motion the nominations were closed. The delegates voted by ballot. Elected were:

Moderator.....	Rev. Carson Eggers
Clerk.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Treasurer.....	Miss Winifred Hampton

Visitors were recognized. They were: Rev. and Mrs. Vernon Sparrow, from Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina; Dr. W. K. McGee, from the Baptist Hospital; Rev. James M. Hayes, from Homes for Aging; Rev. Fred Brown, from Mars Hill College; Dr. L. H. Hollingsworth, from Wake Forest College; Rev. Rex West, representing Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute; and Rev. Hoyt Roberson, Three Forks Associational Missionary.

Roll call. Delegates from twelve churches answered; two reported by letter.

Sang hymn "Heaven Will Surely Be Worth It All."

Report On The Baptist Hospital was read by J. Merritt Coffey. Moved and seconded to receive the report.

REPORT ON THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our Baptist Hospital seeks to serve our people with a complete program of specialized medical care for all who need it. Our people go in great numbers, with all types of serious illnesses, from all walks of life, and in all financial circumstances, to receive the ministry of our Baptist medical center. A constant effort is made to keep it personal and Christian in its care of sick people.

Last year service patients from 95 counties of the State made over 66,000 visits to the 31 clinics of the Out-Patient Department, which is open to families not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. About the same number of office visits was made by private or full-pay patients. More than 16,000 sick persons were hospitalized for 132,000 days of bed care.

Forty per cent of the hospital service is rendered the patients who go to the Out-Patient Clinics or who enter the hospital through the Out-Patient Department. The services of the physicians are free to all these patients, but the hospital charges must be paid unless other arrangements are made by the family.

Last year the hospital spent well over one million dollars in the care of these service patients. The Mother's Day Fund, along with the welfare funds and assistance from other agencies and foundations, enables the hospital to provide more than half of this service free for our very poor people. The Mother's Day Fund alone, however, has not covered the full cost of the care of even the most needy.

We need to lay upon the hearts of our members the necessity of the Mother's Day Fund, if our Baptist Hospital is to provide this important service for our poorer people.

Share and care for the needy sick.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Merritt Coffey

Dr. W. K. McGee gave a fine discussion on the Hospital. The report was adopted.

Published an open door of the Association to new churches. None joined.

Solo by Miss Ann Cook.

Prayer by Rev. Theo Hendrix.

Rev. W. J. Cook preached the annual sermon. He read 2nd Cor. 8: 8-15. Rev. Cook dismissed for the noon hour.

A bountiful dinner was served.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The devotional was conducted by Rev. Carson Eggers. After reading St. Mark 13: 34-37, he led in prayer.

Report On The Baptist Childrens Homes of North Carolina was read by Mrs. R. L. Waters. Moved and seconded to receive the report.

REPORT ON BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES

North Carolina Baptists have shown remarkable interest in their Children's Homes during the past year. Many church groups have visited the three campuses. Continued support has been encouraging. Awakened interest in your Child Care Program has been evidenced in many respects.

During the past year members of the Childrens' Homes staff, under the best leadership available, have engaged themselves in conscientious study of the entire Child Care Program sponsored by North Carolina Baptists. Findings have been gratifying. The program has a commendable history and is one of the best in the nation. Every effort is being made by the present administration to continue the best care possible for dependent children.

More than 1,000 boys and girls were served by the Children's Homes during the past year. Mills Home, Kennedy Home, and Odum Home have provided care for 547 children, while 197 lived in Foster Homes. Through financial assistance of the Mothers Aid Program 40 children were able to live with their mothers. Supervision and financial help was afforded 30 college students. Case workers assisted 214 more to find homes with relatives and other social service agencies.

Three cottages are under construction — one at each of the three Homes. The Roy Culler family of High Point is providing funds for a boys' cottage at Mills Home. The H. C. Ferebee family of Camden is making possible a cottage for girls at Kennedy Home. The new cottage at Pembroke will provide offices, living quarters, as well as as kitchen and dining room for the Indian boys and girls.

Mr. Vernon S. Sparrow became Superintendent at Mills Home in Thomasville July 1, 1959. He comes to this post with an excellent background of training and experience. Prior to his coming to Mills Home he served as Associate Pastor and Minister of Education in the First Baptist Church of Lenoir.

The Convention has voted to bring the Children's Homes into the Cooperative Program. Churches may continue to send Once-A-Month offerings and special gifts to the Children's Homes.

With the increase in population, the development of industry, the growth of cities and the mounting tensions in present day society, there is an increasing demand for services to dependent children. Your Children's Homes are being asked by the Convention to expand their services. With your prayers, loyal and generous support, your leadership will continue to move forward as resources are made available.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. Waters

Speakers were Rev. Vernon Sparrow of the Homes, Rev. W. T. Brackett, Mrs. R. L. Waters, and N. L. Harrison. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

God said through His prophet Hosea, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," and through His apostle Paul He said, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth."

Here in North Carolina, in addition to the Southeastern Seminary on the Wake Forest campus, we have seven Baptist colleges. North Carolina Baptists are not providing as much financial assistance for the young people of these colleges as the Southern Baptist Convention provide for the seminary student. All of the seven colleges, Wake Forest, Meredith, Mars Hill, Campbell, Gardner-Webb, Wingate and Chowan, are in building and expansion programs, trying to provide for the ever-increasing number of young people that are wanting to attend the Baptist colleges.

As Baptists we are now facing the greatest opportunities in the work of Christian Education.

Now that we have this information let us return to the question, Why Do Baptists Provide Colleges For The Training of Their Leaders? There are many answers to be found. Perhaps the most logical is the Baptist principle of the individual to seek and to know the will of God for his life. We believe that God's will for a man's life will be revealed in a study and understanding of the Bible, and we believe that the Christian Education will help one to find the truth in God's Word.

Let us not think of Christian Education as pertaining to denominational school alone. But let us strengthen and greater develop the Christian educational forces within our local churches, the Sunday School, Training Union, Study Courses, and our Church Libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Brackett

Speakers on Christian Education report were Dr. L. H. Hollingsworth of Wake Forest College, Rev. Fred Brown of Mars Hill College, Rev. W. T. Brackett and Rev. Rex West, who also spoke on Fruitland Bible Institute in line with Christian Education.

The report was adopted.

Report on Homes for Aging follows:

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The ninth year of operation of the Baptist Homes for Aging began March 16, 1959. All three of the Homes — Resthaven, Albemarle, and Headquarters — have had a good year, and have been filled practically all the year to capacity (119), counting residents and helpers. When vacancies occur, there are always more applications on the waiting list than rooms to be filled.

Since the average age of a resident is about 80 years, there were several deaths during the year. Among the deceased was the oldest resident, "Uncle" John T. Holt, formerly of Wilson Mills, N. C. He died July 13, being 99 years of age. Had he lived until February 26, 1960, he would have been one hundred years of age. He was a resident of the Homes nearly eight years, and for the past two years was a patient in the infirmary of the Headquarters Building. He was, indeed, a great soul, and all connected with the Homes keenly miss him.

This has been another year of God's favor upon the Homes and of encouraging progress. While the campaign to raise funds to build the fourth Home in Eastern North Carolina, at Hamilton, has not been completed, there is good reason to believe that the money will be secured this year and construction will begin. Mr. Don G. Matthews of Hamilton has given the land for the site, and most of the \$50,000 which he promised. He is ready to give the balance when the extra \$100,000 has been raised. With reorganization of plans and persistent effort, the balance needed can and will be forthcoming.

Architectural plans and specifications for the enlargement of the infirmary at Headquarters have been prepared, and construction of 28 additional bedrooms should begin by September or October.

The two most pressing needs of the Homes for Aging now are:

1. To finish raising the funds to start construction of the Hamilton Homes.
2. To raise about \$75,000 to cover the balance needed to pay for the additional facilities in the infirmary expansion.

So, a total amount of \$150,000 must be raised, therefore, to finish these two projects. When they are completed, 60 more bedrooms will be added for anxious and needy residents, thus increasing the total capacity of all the Homes to 170 residents.

Would you like to have a generous part in helping to make these plans become a reality at the earliest possible date? If so, please let us hear from you at once. Why not furnish, or endow, or construct a room with your gift? If you are not able to do as much, send the amount you are able to give to North Carolina Baptist Homes, Inc., Reynolds Park Road, Winston-Salem, N. C., and your gift will be used as you may instruct.

All connected with the North Carolina Baptist Homes are most grateful to the churches, individuals, and corporations for the help given to offer our aging friends who live in the Homes a program of security, comfort, congeniality and a Christian ministry.

Rev. Carson Eggers

Respectfully submitted,

Moved and seconded to receive the report.

Rev. James M. Hayes spoke on the report, which was adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

The Baptist Training Union is recognized by Southern Baptists as the church program for training church members. It is an essential part of the total educational program of a church. In order to understand fully what the Training Union is, it is necessary to know its aim. The aim is "Training In Church Membership." There is no other department of the church which has this distinctive aim.

The Training Union is a family affair for all Baptist families. Training Union gives good training to its members — devotional, Bible study, doctrinal and missionary. In devotional study we learn ways to better Christian living by studying everyday problems and Christian solutions to these problems. Through training in Bible study we develop better Bible study habits by studying our Bibles daily through prayer. Most important of all, we study the complete work of the Southern Baptist Convention. We also study State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

We trust that every church in the Association will see the need of Training Union.

Respectfully submitted,

Johnnie Gragg

Speakers on Baptist Training Union Report were Rev. W. T. Brackett and Rev. Carson Eggers. The report was adopted.

Moved and seconded to adjourn until Wednesday morning, and meet with Long Ridge Baptist Church.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

At 9:20 Wednesday morning the Association met with Long Ridge Baptist Church at Jonas Ridge.

The devotion was opened by singing "Tell It Everywhere You Go." Rev. J. T. Laws led the devotions, reading from the 12 chapter of Isaiah, after which he led in prayer.

The Moderator called the Association to order.

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Ten churches of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association reported Vacation Bible Schools. Enrolment for the ten churches was 406. Offerings were not included in this report.

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. Harrison

Speakers were E. O. Bustle, Carson Eggers, Mrs. R. L. Waters, and N. L. Harrison. The report was adopted.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED TO PREPARE REPORTS

On Relief and Annuity.....	N. L. Harrison
On Religious Literature.....	Mrs. R. L. Waters
On Resolutions.....	Mrs. J. M. Coffey

REPORT ON THE DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

To the pastors: Preach the Word of God and lead people to a higher plane of life and do God's will.

Feed the flock of God's people and watch over them. Try to help them to do God's will.

To the churches: They should work together, helping one another, supporting their pastors. Try to help each other toward the upbuilding of God's Kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. T. Laws

Speakers were Rev. W. T. Brackett, Rev. Ronda Dillard and Rev. J. T. Hendrix. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON INTEMPERANCE

Intemperance is a question that has been the chief topic of men and women who look for better things in life.

We know of many things that we could comment on temperance.

1. To be able to throw off sin.

2. Many of us punish our bodies in many ways.

3. Many of us smoke too much, eat too much, talk too much at the wrong time.

In my opinion one of the most sinful forms of intemperance is the use of alcoholic beverages.

It is wrecking the lives of millions of our teen-age boys and girls.

We as Christian men and women should do everything we can to keep our teen-agers in church, and teach them to stay away from the evil.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Ronda Dillard

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The printing presses are busy in this day in which we live. Some are busy night and day to get out the daily papers. Some are printing the comic books which come into most homes where there are children to poison their minds. It is true that people are going to read something. We should be careful what we read and what be buy for our children to read. These things make a lasting impression on the minds of our youth. We are grateful for the press that gives us the Bible in more than 11 hundred languages and dialects that the Word of God may go to every nation. Then we have the press that prints our religious literature, our Home Mission paper, our Commission Foreign Mission paper, the **Biblical Recorder**, State Paper, Sunday School literature and Training Union literature. When we have read all these we will not have any more time to read the other that will poison the mind.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Lynn Waters

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Go ye into all the world is the command of the Lord. We believe that every church should be a mission church if it carries out the command of the Lord.

Every Christian should have a part in sending the gospel to others. We believe in starting at Home and Foreign Missions. If we don't send the good news, we will dry up as a church and have no part in the reward.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. J. Cook

Dr. Aaron Hancock, home missionary from McAllister, Okla., gave a fine sermon on Missions.

Rev. E. O. Bustle preached on Missions. Then sang "Blest Be The Tie That Binds," with a fellowship handshake.

Adjourned for dinner. A delicious dinner was served.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Began by singing "Glory To His Name."

Rev. W. T. Bracket conducted the devotionals, reading St. Luke 9: 1-9 and leading in prayer.

The Moderator called the session to order.

REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY

As you all know the Ministers Retirement Plan has been closed and Relief and Annuity is substituted. The Convention pays 5%, the church pays 5% and the person pays 5%, which makes a total of 15%.

Respectfully submitted,
N. L. Harrison

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Since our last Associational Meeting, eight of our loved ones have gone on from us.

LAUREL FORK — Mr. Henry Storie (Deacon) and Mrs. Betty Ford.

LAYTOWN — Mr. J. M. Dillard (Deacon).

MT. EPHRAIM — Mr. Leonard Carroll, Mrs. Roxie Wheeler and Mrs. Julia Hartley.

MT. VERNON — Mrs. Myrtle Cook.

SANDY FLAT — Mr. W. H. Auton.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. M. Coffey

FINANCIAL REPORT

Receipts (Minute Fund) 1958.....	\$125.60
Cost for Printing Minutes.....	101.00
Clerk	20.00
Postage	2.00
Total	\$123.00
Balance In Treasury	6.55

Associational Missionary

November	\$ 55.23
March	20.32
May	27.69
Total	\$103.24
Received for Minute Fund for 1959.....	\$116.15

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Winifred Hampton, Treasurer

REPORT ON DIGEST OF LETTERS

In 1958 all churches paid pastors \$6,010.91. In 1959 they paid pastors \$5,270.23.

The churches gave \$1,380.33 to all mission causes in 1958. In 1959 they gave \$1,181.67 to all mission causes.

Grand total expenditures of all churches in 1958 was \$22,268.48. In 1959 grand total expenditures of all churches was \$18,015.76.

In 1958 we gained 85 members and lost 56. In 1959 we gained 54 members and lost 57.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Merritt Coffey

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The next Annual Session of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association will be held with Mt. Paran and Boone's Fork Baptist Churches. First day with Mt. Paran Baptist Church; second day with Boone's Fork Baptist Church.

Time: Tuesday and Wednesday, September 13 and 14, 1960.

Rev. Roscoe Greene to preach the annual sermon; Rev. Theo Hendrix, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Johnnie Gragg
Ronda Dillard
Russan Watson

Visitors to the Association on its second day were: Dr. Aaron Hancock, home missionary from McAllister, Okla.; Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Gillespie, representing Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, N. C.

Rev. Carson Egger, last year's Associational Missionary, gave an oral report.

Moved and seconded to give Moderator power to appoint Bro. Clark Storie to Executive Committee.

Moved and seconded to give the Clerk power to select representatives and committees to report in the 1960 session.

Moved and seconded to appoint the following:

Vice-Moderator.....	Rev. W. T. Brackett
Associational Missionary.....	Rev. Ronda Dillard
Associational Training Union Director.....	Rev. Wendell Critcher
Associational W.M.U. President.....	Miss Winifred Hampton
Associational V.B.S. Superintendent.....	N. L. Harrison

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

We, the people of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association wish to thank the people of the New Hopewell and Long Ridge Baptist Churches for their wonderful hospitality toward us for the past two days.

We thank God and the people for the bountiful supply of good food and for their kindness to us.

We also wish to thank all the preachers, teachers and other speakers who have helped us.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. M. Coffey

REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The work of Woman's Missionary Union was organized in the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association in 1956. We have three churches with Missionary Societies. Laurel Fork, Mt. Vernon and Sandy Flat have organized the Girls' Auxiliary and the Sunbeam units.

Total membership now is 89, of which 21 are tithers, for which God has blessed them. Our gifts this year for Home and Foreign Missions was \$315.54. Our aim in the W.M.U. is to begin at home in our own communities to win the lost and to minister to the sick and needy and reaching on out to a lost world with our prayers, gifts and offerings, that we might have a part in the Great Commission that Jesus Christ our Lord left in the hands of His followers to carry out: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Matthew 28: 19.

We earnestly desire your prayers in this work of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Lynn Waters

Speakers to this report and to tithing were Mrs. Waters, Alfred Woody, Rev. W. T. Brackett, Rev. Carson Eggers, Mr. McCall, Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Gillespie and Dr. Aaron Hancock.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn until the next session, to be held with Mt. Paran and Boone's Fork Baptist Churches September 13 and 14, 1960, thus ending another good spiritual session.

Dr. Aaron Hancock dismissed with prayer.

Rev. Carson Eggers, Moderator
J. Merritt Coffey, Clerk

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES		Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss By Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non- Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor or not)
		Date Organized	Dates of Meeting									
1. Bailey Camp	R	1938	2 & 4	Clyde Cornett, Reese	1	.....	4	61	16	77	1	393.76
2. Boone's Fork	R	1872	2 & 4	Carson Eggers, R-1, Blowing Rock	.....	1	3	60	18	78	2	204.66
3. Doe Ridge	R	1894	1 & 3	Johnny Greene, Box 161, Deep Gap	4	1	2	28	.....	54	1	142.54
4. Laurel Fork	R	1855	1 & 3	W. T. Brackett, Sugar Grove	9	.....	4	.....	.....	134	2	730.55
5. Laytown	R	1931	1 & 3	O. T. Laws, Lenoir	1	2	2	71	20	91	2	175.40
6. Long Ridge	R	1945	1 & 4	E. O. Bustle, Jonas Ridge	4	4	1	54	.....	106	1	350.00
7. Mt. Ephraim	R	1876	2 & 4	Ben Triplett, Wilkesboro	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	114	.....	382.28
8. Mt. Paran	R	1886	1 & 3	Roscoe Greene, Granite Falls	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	113	1	514.34
9. Mt. Vernon	R	1866			8	4	4	213	114	327	1	181,509.18
10. Mt. View	R			No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. New Hopewell	R	1870	2 & 4	W. J. Cook, R-4, Boone	.....	.....	2	62	57	119	1	138.42
12. Rock Springs	R	1891		Resigned	1	.....	.....	34	30	65	1	118.00
13. Rock View	R	1923		No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Sandy Flat	R	1928	1 & 3	Clyde Cornett, Reese	3	.....	1	.....	.....	94	1	304.60
15. Watauga	R	1	3	R. C. Cook, R-8, Lenoir	7	4	.....	.....	.....	130	2	256.05
16. Yellow Hill	R	1850	2 & 4	Fred Blevins, Wilkesboro	.....	.....	4	85	89	174	.....	120.00
Totals					38	16	37	668	344	1,676	16	305,339.78

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES						SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPT. AND ADDRESSES									
Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	General Officers	Grand Total	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enrollment	Total V.B.S. Enrollment
1. Bailey Camp	8	6	8	10	8	15				20		75	64		
2. Boone's Fork		6		9			10			12	2	50	27	20	20
3. Doe Ridge		6				10				10		30	30		
4. Laurel Fork		10		15	12	10				36	6	89	57	70	70
5. Laytown	8	6		6	23				9	15		68	50		
6. Long Ridge	6	10	6	8	10	3	8	4	4			59		39	39
7. Mt. Ephraim		4	7	14	12	10			4	10		61	61	38	38
8. Mt. Paran		12	18	15								45		30	30
9. Mt. Vernon	22	5	18	32	28	27	6	3	32	72	4	249	157	81	81
10. Mt. View															
11. New Hopewell	4	12		3	9	5				20		53	16	15	15
12. Rock Springs			6	10	10					10		40	40	36	36
13. Rock View															
14. Sandy Flat		5		7	12		12			20		56		32	32
15. Watauga	10	8	10		8	20	14		30			100	95	45	45
16. Yellow Hill	4	5	6	4	10	10	4	6	15	25	7	96	47		
Totals	4	58	95	79	133	141	110	54	94	250	19	1,071	634	406	406

Table C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES										Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Adults (25-34)	Grand Total	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools
1. Bailey Camp																			
2. Boone's Fork																			
3. Doe Ridge																			
4. Laurel Fork																			
5. Laytown																			
6. Long Ridge																			
7. Mt. Ephraim																			
8. Mt. Paran																			
9. Mt. Vernon																			
10. Mt. View																			
11. New Hopewell																			
12. Rock Springs																			
13. Rock View																			
14. Sandy Flat																			
15. Watauga																			
16. Yellow Hill																			
Totals										4	4	11	13	13	23	25	88	77	2

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES											
CHURCHES	Total Receipts For All Purposes	Grand Total Expenditures For All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Local Missions Operated By Church	Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenses				
1. Bailey Camp	.....	842.64	393.76	142.62	123.01	133.53	792.92			
2. Boone's Fork	844.70	729.47	204.66	87.35	.....	388.46	680.47			
3. Doe Ridge	232.22	205.23	142.54	27.21	.....	62.73	232.48			
4. Laurel Fork	1,640.10	1,640.10	130.55	284.03	.....	394.63	1,409.21			
5. Laytown	407.00	407.00	175.40	.....	.....	153.12	328.52		
6. Long Ridge	2,500.00	5,915.00	350.00	.....	25.00	5,525.15	5,900.15			
7. Mt. Ephraim	668.48	668.48	382.28	75.02	.....	169.28	626.58			
8. Mt. Paran	1,281.05	1,281.05	514.34	.....	.....	.....	514.34	
9. Mt. Vernon	8,913.00	9,075.00	1,509.18	416.00	.....	8,560.80	10,485.98			
10. Mt. View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. New Hopewell	.....	.....	138.42	.....	.....	.....	138.42
12. Rock Springs	189.20	189.20	118.00	.....	.....	.....	118.00	
13. Rock View	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Sandy Flat	.....	.....	304.60	39.20	35.10	90.13	469.03		
15. Watauga	.....	150.60	256.05	.....	.....	594.55	850.60	
16. Yellow Hill	371.00	327.96	120.00	120.00	.....	87.96	327.96			
Totals	5,046.73	21,431.72	5,339.78	1,190.43	183.11	15,870.34	22,874.66				

Table 1 MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Designated Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects, Bible Society, Homes For Aged	Total Mission Expenditures
1. Bailey Camp	Arlen Ford, R-8, Lenoir							25.00	24.72		49.72
2. Boone's Fork	J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock							30.93	11.04	7.03	49.00
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, R-2, Boone							6.00	11.19		17.17
4. Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, R-4, Boone		18.30	19.20	22.70	17.98		110.25	26.30	16.16	230.89
4. Laytown	Mrs. Nora Dillard, R-5 Lenoir							13.00		11.00	24.30
6. Long Ridge	Mrs. Ray Clark, Pineola									5.00	5.00
7. Mt. Ephraim	V. M. Greer, Triplett					14.20			27.00		41.20
8. Mt. Paran	Russan Watson, R-1, Deep Gap			2.50							2.50
9. Mt. Vernon	Miss Winifred Hampton, R-4, Boone	22.66	30.00		76.42	187.66		172.96	28.72	54.49	572.91
10. Mt. View	No Report										
11. New Hopewell	Edith Barnes, Star Route, Lenoir	2.50	5.15								7.65
12. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Ferguson			28.75							28.75
13. Rock View	No Report										
14. Sandy Flat	Lloyd Coffey, Blowing Rock			6.13	13.10	19.35	6.03	20.07	20.55	15.65	100.88
15. Watauga	Jeffrey Shook, R-1, Banner Elk				7.00			45.00			52.00
16. Yellow Hill	Lizzie Mae Church, North Wilkesboro										
Totals		25.16	53.45	56.58	119.22	239.19	6.03	423.21	149.52	109.33	1,181.98

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WATAUGA AND YELLOW HILL BAPTIST CHURCHES

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 12 and 13, 1961

Annual Sermon By Rev. W. T. Brackett, Alt, Rev. Erby McKinney

Moderator.....Rev. Carson Eggers
Clerk.....J. Merritt Coffey
Treasurer.....Miss Winifred Hampton

SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS**Tuesday Morning Session**

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional
- 9:15- 9:30—Call To Order and Election of Officers
- 9:30- 9:45—Moderators Address
- 9:45-10:00—Recognition of Visitors and Roll Call.
- 10:00-10:30—Missions
- 10:30-11:00—Hospital,
- 11:00-12:00—Annual Sermon.

Tuesday Afternoon Session

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
- 1:15- 1:30—Christian Education
- 1:30- 1:45—Sunday Schools.
- 1:45- 2:00—Vacation Bible School
- 2:00- 2:15—Womens Missionary Union
- 2:15- 2:30—Baptist Training Union
- 2:30- 2:45—Duties of Pastors and Churches
- 2:45- 3:00—Religious Literature
- 3:00- 3:15—Annuity Report

Adjourn Until Wednesday Morning

Wednesday Morning Session

- 9:00- 9:15—Devotional
- 9:15- 9:30—Temperance
- 9:30-10:00—North Carolina Baptist Home for Aging
- 10:00-10:30—Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina
- 10:30-11:00—General Discussion
- 11:00-12:00—Sermon

Wednesday Afternoon Session

- 1:00- 1:15—Devotional
- 1:15- 1:30—Finance Report
- 1:30- 1:45—Obituaries
- 1:45- 2:00—Digest of Letters
- 2:00- 2:15—Time Place and Preacher
- 2:15- 2:30—Associational Missionary Report
- 2:30- 2:45—Committee Appointment & Executive Report
- 2:45- 3:00—Resolutions

Directory Of The Association**OFFICERS**

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Annuity Report.....	John Gragg
Religious Literature.....	Mrs. Clark Storie
Temperance.....	J. T. Laws
N. C. Homes For Aging.....	Dayton Cook
Baptist Childrens Home of N.C.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Finance Report.....	Miss Winifred Hampton
Obituaries.....	Mrs. J. M. Coffey
Digest of Letters.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Time Place and Preacher.....	R. L. Waters
Resolutions.....	Mrs. Will Critcher

Please send in your report to clerk, or bring it, will be better. and if you can't come to the association.

Please send it by your delegate,

Thank you.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Rev. W. M. Brown.....	R-4, Boone,
Rev. W. T. Brackett.....	R-1, Sugar Grove
Rev. W. J. Cook.....	R-4, Boone
Rev. Lonnie Carlton.....	Triplett
Rev. Carson Eggers.....	R-1 Blowing Rock
Rev. Johnnie Greene.....	Deep Gap
Rev. Roscoe Greene.....	Granite Falls
Rev. Theo Hendrix.....	Hays
Rev. Wendell Critcher.....	R-4, Boone
Rev. J. T. Laws.....	R-8 Lenoir
Rev. Ben Triplett.....	Wilkesboro
Rev. Albert Shouns.....	North Wilkesboro
Rev. Dallas Watson.....	Deep Gap
Rev. Elisha White.....	R-1 Purlear

LICENSED MINISTERS

Rev. Ivey W. Coffey.....	R-8, Lenoir
Rev. Ronda Dillard.....	R-5, Lenoir
Rev. John Jackson.....	Boone

MESSENGERS

BAILEY CAMP — Max Ford, Ransom Harmon

BOONES FORK — Dennis Rupert, Mrs. Dennis Rupert, Miss Zetta Holli-field,

DOE RIDGE — Wade Moretz, Walter Tester,

LAUREL FORK — Buster Ford, Roy Holder, Marion Ford, Mrs. Martha Ford, W. T. Brackett, Mrs. W. T. Brackett, J. G. Storie

LAYTOWN — F. J. Triplett, Mrs Ruth Dillard, Mrs. Frits Dula, Mrs. Zora Dillard, Mrs. Frank Triplett, Mrs. Iris Coffey,

LONG RIDGE — Alfred Woody, Gertrude Woody, Roy Woody,

MT. EPHRAIM — Elmer Miller,

MT. PARAN — Dallas Watson, Spencer Miller,

MT. VERNON — Miss Erma Rhea Critcher, Mrs. Will Critcher, N. L. Harrison, Dayton Cook, Mrs. Dayton Cook, Mrs. Wendell Critcher, Miss Pauline Harrison.

NEW HOPEWELL — Jimmy Coffey,

ROCK SPRINGS — Carroll Woods, Charlotte Dawson, Amelia Dula, R. C. Woods, Mrs. R. C. Woods

SANDY FLAT — Mrs. Cordie Coffey,

WATAUGA — By Letter.

YELLOW HILL — By Letter.

PROCEEDINGS**TUESDAY MORNING SESSION**

The Story Fork Missionary Baptist Association Met for its Ninety Ninth Annual Session With Mt. Paran Baptist Church. September 13, 1960

The Session Was Opened by Singing Hymn: At The Cross. Led By Rev. Guy Cain.

Rev. Wendell Critcher Conducted the Devotions. Reading from Proverbs 4th Chapter Verses 23—26.

Rev. Ronda Dillard Led in Prayer.

The Session Was Called to Order by the Moderator Rev. Carson Egger's.

The time being at hand to elect officers for this session. on motion the following were nominated: Rev. Carson Eggers for moderator, J. Merritt Coffey for clerk, Miss Winifred Hampton for treasurer. Delegates vote by acclamation; elected were:

Moderator.....	Rev. Carson Eggers
Clerk.....	J. Merritt Coffey
Treasurer.....	Miss Winifred Hampton

Visitors Were Recognized. They were Dr. L. H. Hollingsworth, from Wake Forest College. Dr. W. K. Mcgee. from Baptist Hospital Rev. Guy Cain, M. L. Blevins from Stone Mt. Association Rev. J. P. and Mrs. Gillespie from Gardner Webb College. Myrtle Watson, Rev. Fred Brown from Mars Hill College:

Roll Call: There were twelve churches present, and two reported by letter.

Report on Missions was read by Mrs. R. L. Waters. Moved and Second to receive the report.

THE REPORT ON MISSIONS

The word missions Covers a lot of territory. State missions in the Missionary effort on the part of North Carolina Baptists to reach the unsaved for Christ. There are more than. 4,600,000 People in North Carolina and it is estimated that more than 6 per cent are lost, it is a mission field and We as Christians are the Missionaries.

Home Missions are reachings on out with the Gospel in our home land.

We now have Home Missions work in the 50 States Cuba and Panama with 2,108 home Missionaries, but we Cannot Stop with State and home missions, for Jesus said "Go ye therefore and teach all nations. Matt:28:19. So today we as Southern Baptists have 1,451 foreign missionaries in 44

Countries of the World, The Message Christ must be Preached to every nation. How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed, and how Shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard, and how shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent: Romans 10: 14-15. it is our responsibility and privilege as missionary Baptists to help send the glorious message of Christ and his power to Save, unto the Uttermost parts of the Earth.

Respectfully Submitted
R. L. Waters

Rev. Guy Cain spoke on Missions. The report was adopted.

Report was read by J. Merritt Coffey moved and second to receive the report.

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The Ministry of our Baptist Hospital touches every area of our state. Last year it served more than 17,000 bed patients, with 150,000 visits being made to the clinics and offices. They came for examinations, medical treatment, skilled surgery, spiritual guidance. Many of our homes, most of our churches, and almost all of our communities have been served by this ministry of healing. It touches the family life af about a quarter of a million of our people each year.

Sickness is no respecter of persons or pocket books. It strikes the rich and poor alike the window, the orphan, the aged. There are times when they need such specialized care as that available at our Baptist Hospital. The Mother's Day Fund provides money with which our Hospital gives assistance to those who cannot pay the full cost of their care. Our Hospital almost doubles our gifts with matching funds from welfare agencies and other gifts. In addition to this, the medical staff gives its services without charge to all service patients, except for available insurance payments.

Probably we should ask ourselves if we as Christians should provide such a ministry for our needy, sick neighbors. Jesus and the New Testament writers give us the answer. But do we really want such a ministry? It cannot be provided except at great cost. Our Hospital receives about 3% of our Co-operative Program funds for payments on the buildings, purchase of expensive equipment, such as heart-lung machines, and for the Department of Pastoral Care. Our Mother's Day Fund provides the money to help pay the hospital bills of needy, sick persons. The amount of this fund determines for the most part the amount of help our Hospital can give.

If we are serious about this ministry which was so close to the heart of our Lord, and want our Hospital to give help when our people need it, we are going to have to become serious about our giving to the Mother's Day Fund. Our Hospital is facing a grave financial problem, and if it is to give free service we are going to have to contribute the money to finance the program.

The only way we can support this work is to plan for it, to make somebody in each church responsible for it, to let our people know about the

need, and to challenge them to give of their means. Some of our churches over the state have been doing this, and our people have demonstrated that when this is done they will provide the necessary support. We come to ask you to do it in your church not for the hospital, but for sick people who are in need.

Respectfully Submitted
J. Merritt Coffey

The Speakers on the Hospital report were

Dr. W. K. McGee and Mrs. Merritt Coffey, the report was adopted

Published an Open door of the Association to new churches none joined.

The congregation sang hymns:

When I See the Blood. and Amazing Grace:

Rev. Theo Hendrix made a short talk.

Rev. Wendell Critcher preached the Annual Sermon. from Romans 13th Chapter.

Prayer by Rev. Theo Hendrix.

Then Sang: must Jesus Bear the Cross alone: a hand shake followed.

Rev. J. P. Gillespie dismissed for dinner with Prayer.

A bountiful dinner was served.

1, P. M. Reassembled back in church. Singing by Brother Steward Hamby. duet.

Rev. Erby McKinney took the Devotional reading 1st Tim: 1st Chapter Verses 11 - 12. and led in Prayer.

Moderator call the session to Order.

Rev. Guy Cain gave a talk on the Biblical Recorder. Recognized the Pastors and Ministers, had 6 Pastors.

Total Pastors and Ministers present was 14.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In this strategic hour Christian education is most important. At a time when juvenile delinquency is on the increase, when two-thirds of the children and young people never attend church or Sunday School, and when religion is either ignored or openly sneered at by many people, our Baptist Schools are more important than ever.

Our North Carolina Baptist schools are highly respected and are doing an excellent work. They are essential to the denomination. In every State where there is a Baptist School Baptist work is strong. Where ever there is a large area without a Baptist School, our denominational work is weak. The majority of our missionaries had their college work on Baptist campuses. About five out of every six of our Baptist preachers who have college degrees received their degrees from Baptist colleges. It is on the Baptist campus that the student is most likely to hear the "Still Small Voice." Many times it is here that he hears the call to give a dedicated life of service.

Our North Carolina colleges are Campbell College, Chowan College, Gardner-Webb College, Mars Hill College, Meredith College, Wake Forest College, Wingate College, and the Preachers School at Fruitland.

Some of our Schools are turning away many students each year, and it is predicted that in a few more years that enrollment requests will double. More teachers are needed and salaries should be raised for the underpaid teachers we now have.

Respectfully submitted

W. T. Brackett

Speakers Were: Rev. J. P. Gillespie, from Gardner Webb College
Rev. Fred Brown, of Mars Hill College Dr. L. H. Hollingsworth, from
Wake Forest College, Rev. W. T. Brackett. The Report was adopted.

REPORT ON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS

There were 14 Churches of the 16 in the Stony Fork Association. that had Bible Schools.

At the present time we have received reports from 11 of these Churches.

We had a total attendance of 466. of this number 376 were Children. with 67 of these not attending any Sunday School. We had 13 professions of Faith and 20 dedications.

Our offerings from the 11 Churches was \$172.33 all of which was given to World Missions through the Cooperative Program.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Lynn Waters

Speakers were. N. L. Harrison and Mrs. Lynn Waters. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The women's work of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association has made some advance this year over last year. The gifts to Home, and Foreign Missions has increased from last year. The increase has been \$115.00 over last year. Our gifts this year for Home and Foreign Missions was 430. 54.

There has been one new W. M. U. organized this year at Lay Town making a total of four W. M. U. 'S with a total membership of 96. with 18 of these tithing We have 22 members taking the Royal Service. 15 taking the Tell. 6 taking the Sunbeam. There has been 2 Missions Book's taught this year.

Our aim in the W. M. U. is to begin at home to minister to the needs of the people in our own communittee and reaching out to all the world. Jesus gave us a Commission in Matt. 28:19. Go ye there fore and teach all Nations.

Please pray for us in this great undertaking.

Respectfully submitted

Mrs. W. T. Brackett

Speakers were. Mrs. W. T. Brackett, Mrs. Lynn Waters, Mrs. Zora Dillard. Adopted the Report.

REPORT ON BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Just as in all of our local churches, the Associational Training Union work is very important. I feel that if we are looking to the future for our churches, Training Union would certainly be at least equal in importance with any of our organizations. It is through the Training Union that we train our church members in Christian living and Personal-Soul-Winning. What could be more important to the Christian, and to the church?

We are falling far short of what should be done in Associational Training Union work. We are not even scratching the surface when we consider what the work could do.

We must begin to put more effort to Training Union work, not only in our Association but in our individual churches as well. To my knowledge we only have three (3) Training Unions in the Association. This leaves 13 of our churches without any Training Program in their church. What are we doing for the future of our churches? Let us, as churches, "Study to show ourselves approved of God, a workman that has no cause to be ashamed, correctly and accurately dividing-rightly handling and skilfully teaching the Word of Truth.

Respectfully submitted

W.T. Brackett

Speakers Were. Rev. W. T. Brackett. Carson Eggers Mrs. Lynn Waters. Adopted the report.

DUTIES OF PASTORS AND CHURCHES

Pastors should be God called men, sound in faith and apt to teach an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith and purity.

Paul said in 1st. Timothy chapter 4: If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ.

The pastor should live a life above question, and devote time to pastoral visiting, preaching and training his flock in every phase of God's program and leading them in the development of a full Christian life.

Now duties of churches. First individual members living devout lives. Second support pastors so that he can devote full time to the work to which God has called him. Third support God's entire program.

Respectively submitted

John Gragg

Speakers were. Rev. Carson Eggers, Rev. Ronda Dillard. Adopted the Report.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

All Through the ages we have read and heard a lot about the kind of literature we have in our homes and about educating our children with the right literature. and yet we have not said or done enough. Perhaps no other denomination has a finer Selection of literature than the Baptist has. We don't any of us read and study the Bible any more than we should, So lets put the Bible at the top of our list and see in the next year how many

other Christian Magazines and Periodicals we can read.

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Merritt Coffey

Spoken to by Rev. Carson Eggers and Mrs. Merritt Coffey, and adopted.

Adjourned until Wednesday Morning to meet with Boones Fork Baptist church.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

9:00 A. M. The Stony Fork Baptist association met with Boone Fork Baptist Church.

1st Opened by Singing the following Hymns Tell it to Jesus, There is Power in the Blood. and Trust and Obey.

Devotion was conducted by Rev. W. T. Brackett he read the 3rd chapter of James and spoke briefly then led in prayer.

2nd The Session was called to order be the moderator.

Appointed the following committees to prepare reports. On Baptist Training Union, Rev. W. T. Brackett.

On Annuity Rev. Erby McKinney.

Sunday School and vacation Bible Schools Mr. R. L. Waters.

Moved and Second to appoint William Brown Jr. as Training Union Director for the Stony Fork Association.

It was moved and second that the reports to be sent in to the clerk later be received and adopted.

ANNUITY BOARD REPORT

The Southern Baptist Convention has entrusted the Annuity Board with the responsibility of caring for our pastors and their families in the days of need and anxiety. This program of protection is called The Southern Baptist protection plan.

The Southern Baptist Protection Plan provides financial help in the time of death, disability, and retirement. The Board is there to serve in time of sorrow, if the church is in the Protection Plan. In case of the pastors death, his widow would receive an income from the Board as long as she lived or until she remarried. The Board is there to serve in time of sickness, if the church is in the retirement plan. In case of disability, the pastor would receive a monthly check from the Board as long as he was disabled. The Board is there to serve at retirement, if the church is in the retirement plan. At age 65, the pastor can receive his regular annuity as long as he lives. He can not outlive this protection. A church can have all of this protection for the pastor if the church is in the Southern Baptist protection plan.

We urge all churches to contribute to the work of the Annuity Board. The cost to the church is only 10% of the pastors salary. For instance: \$400.00 a year is as much as this program will cost any church who is paying their pastor \$4,000.00 a year salary. If all our churches contribute, then all our pastors will be protected and all of our churches carrying out the command of our Lord.

At present, none churches in our association contribute to this phase of our work. This is a denominational program and deserves the support of all the churches, The Baptist State Convention of North Carolina is

launching an intensive campaign to enlist at least 300 additional churches this year. We recommend that our association adopt our share of this as a goal and that we urge all our deacons and Brotherhood members to present this program to their churches as soon as possible.

We also suggest that one of our monthly Associational meetings or Brotherhood Meetings be giving to the discussion of this phase of our denominational work.

Churches desiring further information should contact members of the Annuity committee, the Associational Missionary, or Tom Greene, Baptist Building, Raleigh, North Carolina, who is the Director of the Annuity Board work in North Carolina. He will be happy to present this matter to any local church desiring his help.

Respectfully submitted

Signed: Rev. Erby McKinney

Speakers were: Rev. Guy Cain, Rev. Erby McKinney, Mrs. R. L. Waters. The Report was adopted.

REPORT ON INTEMPERANCE

Temperance is over coming evil with good, Math. 7-17 and 18. Speaking of the good tree that can not bring evil fruit and a evil tree that can not bring good fruit. Any thing that over comes us would be in temperance.

Strong drink is A.1. That is the worst. but there are lots of other sins.

That will blot the life of a Christian. That they can't bring good fruits in the war fare. Make the tree good or bad temperate in all things.

Respectfully submitted

W. J. Cook

Speakers were, Rev. W. T. Brackett, Rev. Ronda Dillard, adopted

SUGGESTED REPORT (1960)

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

By William A. Poole, General Superintendent

God's gift to the Homes for the Aging during the past nine years has been James M. Hayes, Sr. No man could have worked harder, or accomplished more, than this dedicated man of God. On July 1, he relinquished the heavy and challenging responsibilities of the office of general superintendent to this successor, William A. Pool.

The new superintendent is diligently at work and is finding a solid foundation on which to build and expand our ministry to the aging in our midst.

Great blessings are in store for us in his tenth year of our Homes for the Aging. The new Infirmary Annex, constructed at a cost of \$193,000, and with 28 new rooms, will be in use by September 1. It is hoped that the construction of the proposed new Hamilton Home can be started by late summer, with facilities for around 30 additional residents. Our hats are off to all who have given so liberally and worked so tirelessly in bringing this fourth Home to fulfilment!

At the present, there are sixty applicants on the waiting list, and new inquiries and applications pouring in daily. We now have a total of 106

residents in our three Homes—Resthaven, 20; Albemarle, 34; Headquarters, 52. Even with our new facilities, it is not unrealistic to say that we could fill rooms up to 500 in the next two years. We must attempt great things for God and expect great things from God as we plan for the future in our ministering to the ever growing number of the aging who need the loving care of North Carolina Baptists.

One of the life lines in our work is the vital relationship that we have with the pastors and churches of our Convention. We could not operate without this very important and blessed tie that binds. We are increasingly dependent upon the prayers and the financial support of the churches. During the fiscal year, October 1, 1959 to August 1, 1960, we have received \$82,521.20 from the churches. Of this amount, \$76,352.70 was contributed through the Special Day Offering in February. Although this amount is \$123,000 short of our goal of \$200,000, we are profoundly grateful to God and to every one who has had a part in contributing to the worthy cause which we represent.

We are constantly experiencing mixed emotions in the Homes. We rejoiced with Aunt Fannie Drumwright on her 99th birthday in July, and were saddened by the deaths of Miss Lillie Herring in October, Mrs. Mary Holder in April, Mr. T. J. Castevens in June, and Mrs. Annie Smith in July.

We shall welcome a visit to the Homes from our fellow Baptists at any time and stand ready at all times to render the service that God has called us to render to the aging.

Let it be known throughout the bounds of our fair State that there is nothing to hinder any needy aging person in our midst from coming to the North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging except lack of space. Let us, therefore, dedicate ourselves to the end of making more space available at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully submitted
Carson Eggers

Speakers were Rev. Wm. A. Pool, General Superintendent Rev. Guy Cain. and adopted the report.

REPORT ON BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOME OF N. C.

By the help of our good Baptist people over the State of N. C. we have several ways of helping our children. We have three Homes for them. Mills Home at Thomasville, Kennedy Home at Kinston, and Odum Home at Pembroke. In addition to these three Homes we have the Child care program. Many children are taken care of in Foster Homes, while others are taken care of in the homes of their mothers. Both of these groups have to receive financial help through our Children's Home. During any given year more than 1,000 dependent children are helped directly or indirectly.

There are way you and I can help to take care of these children. One of these ways is by sponsorship. Individuals, families, and groups have made many contributions to the lives of our children. through the sponsorship program. A sponsorship may provide clothing, birthday and Christmas gifts.

The estimated cost of clothing for a child each year is about \$65.00.

The Sponsor may send money to the institution, may purchase and send clothes, or have the child visit with them and take them shopping. Clothing request lists are sent to Sponsors twice a year (Spring and Fall) along with measurements. Likewise the Sponsors are supplied with the children's requests for birthday and Christmas gifts, usually three suggestions from which to select. This can be done also by Churches, Sunday Schools, Womans Missionary Union or any group.

Primary source of income are: The Cooperative Program, the Thanksgiving Offering, Once A Month Offering, special gifts and bequests. An increasing number of Churches are placing the Children's Home in the Cooperative Program. This is in keeping with the trend in North Carolina. May God open our hearts to the love and needs of our children in N. C. (1-John 3:17-18) But who so hath this world good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutheth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him.

My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

Respectfully submitted

W. T. Brackett

Spoken To By: John E. Robert, from the Homes. Adopted the report.

IN GENERAL DISCUSSION

It was moved and second that we have the history of the association printed in minute. Discussed plan for minute fund.

11 A. M. The Congregation Sang: Jesus Saves and Have thine own way.

Sermon by: Rev. J. T. Laws. He read Romans 13: 1-2 Theme Power of God.

Rev. Roby McNeill dismissed with Prayer after which a delicious dinner was Served.

1 P.M. Afternoon Session Wednesday

Opened by Singing: Amazing Grace. Rev. Roby McNeill took the Devotion He used some verses of Scripture found in St. Mathew. gave a good message and led in Prayer.

The Moderator called the Session to order for the Transaction of business.

REPORT OF FINANCE

In Treasury 1959	\$ 7.10
Receipts (Minute Fund) 1959	116.15
February 1960	23.10
Total	146.35
Cost of Printing Minutes	105.00
Clerk	20.00
Postage	3.70
Total	128.70
In Treasury	17.70

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY

November 1959	15.00
January 1960	13.10
May 1960.....	22.91
Total.....	51.01
Minute Fund for 1960 Received	\$ 120.00

Respectfully submitted
Miss Winifred Hampton

This Report was Adopted.

It was moved and Second that the Clerk Prepared a report on Obituar-ies.

OBITUARIES REPORT

Since our last association 13 of our loved ones have gone.

BOONES FORK—Mr. Leonard Gragg.

LAUREL FORK — Mr. N. N. Ford, Mrs. Nevada Triplett.

LAYTOWN — Mr. Gaither Dula.

LONG RIDGE — Mr. T. H. Woody, "Deacon." Mr. H. A. Crump.

MT. VERNON — Mr. Charlie Bolick, Mr. C. M. Critcher, Mrs. Edwinnie Vannoy.

NEW HOPEWELL — Mr. Arnold Crump, Mr. Lawrence Coffey.

SANDY FLAT — Mr. Richard Hollars, Mr. I. H. Henderson.

Respectfully submitted
J. Merritt Coffey

REPORT ON DIGEST OF LETTERS

In 1959 all churches paid pastors \$5,270.23. In 1960 They paid pastors \$6,228.10.

The churches gave to all mission causes \$1,181.67 in 1959.

In 1960 they gave \$1,519.74. Grand total expenditures of all churches in 1959 was \$18,015.76.

In 1960 Grand total Expenditures of all churches was \$17,412.95.

In 1959 we gained 54 Members and lost 57. In 1960 we gained 69 Members. and lost 42.

Respectfully submitted
J. Merritt Coffey

TIME PLACE AND PREACHER

The next annual Session of the Stony Fork Missionary Baptist Association will be held, with Watauga 1st Day and 2nd Day Yellow Hill, Baptist Churches.

Time: Tuesday September 12th 1960 with Watauga. Baptist Church. and Wednesday September 13th 1960 with Yellow Hill Baptist Church.

Annual Sermon by. Rev. W. T. Brackett, Alt. Rev. Erby McKinney.

Respectfully submitted
R. L. Waters

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY REPORT.

Visited Bailey Camp Baptist Church, twice; Boone Fork, 1 time; Laytown, 1 time.

Mt. Vernon, 2 trips, Rock Springs, 1 time, Yellow Hill, 1 time.

Mileage 4.40. Received \$131.35

Respectfully submitted
Rev. Ronda Dillard.

Speakers Rev. W. T. Brackett, Rev. Ronda Dillard, Rev. Carson Eggers.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AS FOLLOWS.

Moved and Second that Mrs. Lynn Waters be appointed, Vacation Bible School Superintendent, for the association.

On Motion. Dennis Rupert was appointed associational Sunday School Superintendent,

On Motion to retain Same Executive committee. and add to the committee the heads of each Department, as of Training Union. W. M. U. Associational Missionary. V. B. S. Superintendent, Sunday School Superintendent, Chairman of Missions Pastors. Association Moderator. Clerk Treasurer, as ExOfficials.

On Motion appointed Rev. Roby McNeill Chairman of Evangelism, also by Motion Rev. Roby McNeill was appointed Missions Committee Chairman. The Missions Committee Consisting of heads of each department. Moderator Clerk and Treasurer Ex-official members to meet 30 minutes prior to each Executive Meeting. moved and Second. that Mrs. R. L. Waters be appointed. associational Missionary for Stony Fork association.

Rev. W. T. Brackett gave some instructions on the work on duties of the Associational Missionary Rev. Erby McKinney added some remarks on the subject.

At this time an offering and Subscriptions was made to help the associational missionary get started which amounted to \$51.75.

RESOLUTIONS

"Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our Salvation. (Psalms 68:19) God has provided us with many blessings, for which in this our 99th. annual meeting of the stony Fork Association we should be most thankful.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation at this time to the people of Mt. Paran and Boone's Fork Baptist Churches for the fine preparation of these their blessings, for the enjoyment of each of us.

"O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful work to the children of men. (Psalms 107:31) To the moderator, clerk, pastors, or whatever positions you may hold in the churches or in the associational field to carry on God's work we are most grateful. Let each of us resolve never to turn aside from any call to service, which lies within our power, believing that such service will yield dividends that no other investment of time and energy can match. Jesus Christ, himself, took a dozen men, untrained and childlike in their trustfulness and obedience. To such as these He still reveals His will and entrusts His power.

May we each resolve to be humble and determine to be laborers together with each other and with Christ. There is no way to serve God fully without serving others. Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethern, ye have done it unto me." (Matt:25:40b). May we not be content to sit and wait for Christ's return for "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few." (Matt: 9: 37b.) May we not be lazy Christians. Paul wrote, "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil." (1 Thess;5: 22&23) Unless we hold fast to the good things, unless we prove all things we may lose our

Christian talents. They need to be used. Therefore; can each of us resolve to use our talents that our lives, our churches, our communities, the country in which we live, and the Stony Fork Association may be a radiant light for Jesus throughout the world?

Let us resolve to work together in unity and love, that if Christ permits us to meet for our 100th. annual Associational meeting; that we can say as David said in Psalms 133; "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethern to dwell together in unity."

Respectfully submitted
Mrs. Clark Storie

It was moved and Second to adjourn this Session Singing. Hymn: God Be With You Til We Meet Again. A fellowship Hand Shake was extended This Closed another fine Session. Rev. Erby McKinney led the closing prayer. By Rev. Carson Eggers, Moderator J. Merritt Coffey Clerk,

History And Historical Table

The Churches. Buffalo Cave, Cool Spring. Wilkes County Elk, Stony Fork and Yellow Hill, formerly belonging to other associations.

Met at the Stony Fork Baptist Church and Organized the Stony Fork Baptist association on November 9th & 10th 1860, for this meeting appointed Elder Larkin Hodges, Moderator and Bro. Elijah Trivette Clerk.

1861. The Minutes for 1861 were not printed.

Year	Churches	Moderator	Clerk	Preacher	
1862.....	Zions Gate.....				
Meeting House, Wilkes. Co	Larkin	Hodges.	Larkin Pipes.....	Elder Larkin Hodges	
1863.....	Yellow Hill.....	Larkin	Hodges.	Larkin Pipes.....	Wilson Bradshaw....
1864.....	Minutes were not printed	Monuscripted	got Lost.		
1865.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	Larkin	Hodges. J. R.	Hodges.....	Joseph Harrison.....
1866.....	South Fork.....	Larkin	Hodges. Elijah	Trivitt.....	Larkin Hodges.....
1867.....	Watauga	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	J. R. Carlton.....
1868.....	Union	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	James Parsons.....
1869.....	Stony Fork	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	W. H. Phillips.....
1870.....	Old Field	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	William Wilcox.....
1871.....	Elk	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	James Parsons.....
1872.....	Mt. Vernon.....	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	J. R. Carlton.....
1873.....	Watauga.....	Larkin	Hodges. James	Parsons.....	Larkin Hodges.....
1874.....	Yellow Hill	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. James	Parsons.....
1875.....	Laurel Fork.....	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. Levi	Wilson.....
1876.....	Stony Fork.....	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. Larkin	Hodges.....
1877.....	Poplar Grove.....	Larkin	Hodges. Elijah	Trivett.....	James Parsons.....
1878.....	Old Field.....	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. J. R.	Carlton.....
1879.....	Elk	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. Monroe	Gragg.....
1880.....	Mt. Vernon.....	Larkin	Hodges. William E.	Greene. Monroe	Gragg.....
1881.....	Watauga	Larkin	Hodges. Elijah	Trivitt.....	Levi Wilson.....
1882.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	J. F.	Eller..... John R.	Hodges.....	James Parsons.....
1883.....	Yellow Hill.....	J. F.	Eller..... Elijah	Trivett.....	Larkin Hodges.....
1884.....	Boones Fork.....	Larkin	Hodge: Thos.	Pipes.....	Larkin Pipes.....
1885.....	Buffalo Cove.....	J. F.	Eller..... Thos.	Pipes.....	J. F. Eller.....
1886.....	Stony Fork.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	E. M. Gragg.....
1887.....	Union	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	David Eller.....
1888.....	Laurel Fork.....	James	Parsons Wm	M. Lee.....	Wm. M. Lee.....
1889.....	Poplar Grove.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	John F. Eller.....
1890.....	Mt. Vernon.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	E. M. Gragg.....
1891.....	Watauga	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	J. C. Miller.....
1892.....	Mt. Paran.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	E. M. Gragg.....
1893.....	Boones Fork.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	S. T. Carroll.....
1894.....	Yellow Hill.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	John F. Eller.....
1895.....	New River.....	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	Geo. W. Trivett.....
1896.....	Elk	E. M.	Gragg.. Wm	M. Lee.....	J. C. Miller.....
1897.....	Laurel Fork.....	E. M.	Gragg.. wm.	M. Lee.....	Wm. M. Lee.....
1898.....	Buffalo Cove.....	J. C.	Miller... Wm.	M. Lee.....	J. F. Davis.....

1899.....	Mt. Vernon.....	E. M. Gragg...	R. H. Pipes.....	J. J. L. Sherwood....
1900.....	Watauga.....	E. M. Gragg...	Wm. M. Lee.....	D. C. Harman.....
1901.....	Stony Fork.....	J. C. Miller...	Wm. M. Lee.....	John Crisp.....
1902.....	Poplar Grove.....	J. C. Miller.....	A. J. Shull.....	J. C. Blaylock.....
1903.....	Boones Fork.....	E. M. Gragg...	Wm. M. Lee.....	J. C. Miller.....
1904.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	E. M. Gragg...	Wm. M. Lee.....	E. M. Gragg.....
1905.....	Mt. Paran.....	E. M. Gragg...	Wm. M. Lee.....	Wm. M. Lee.....
1906.....	Yellow Hill.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	Asa Brown.....
1907.....	New River.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	J. F. Davis.....
1908.....	Middle Cane.....	James F. Church	Wm. M. Lee.....	J. C. Miller.....
1909.....	Elk.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	J. C. Miller.....
1910.....	Laurel Fork.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	Wm M. Lee.....
1911.....	Mt. Vernon.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	D. M. Wheeler.....
1912.....	Poplar Grove.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	B. F. Wilcox.....
1913.....	Watauga.....	Thos. L. Day...	N. S. Hampton.....	N. S. Hampton.....
1914.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	Wm M. Lee.....
1915.....	Boones Fork.....	Thos. L. Day...	Wm. M. Lee.....	D. M. Wheeler.....
1916.....	Rock Springs.....	B. F. Wilcox...	Wm. M. Lee.....	Wm M. Lee.....
1917.....	Mt. Paran.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	N. S. Hampton.....
1918.....	Due to the out break of Influenza No Association was held			
1919.....	Yellow Hill.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	B. F. Wilcox.....
1920.....	Mt. Vernon.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	N. S. Hampton.....
1921.....	Laurel Fork.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	D. M. Wheeler.....
1922.....	Watauga.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	Oscar Dellinger.....
1923.....	Poplar Grove.....	B. F. Wilcox...	N. S. Hampton.....	N. S. Hampton.....
1924.....	Boones Fork.....	B. F. Wilcox...	James Hampton.....	W. D. Ashley.....
1925.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	B. F. Wilcox...	James Hampton.....	I. A. Hampton.....
1926.....	Rock View.....	D. M. Wheeler	James Hampton.....	G. M. Watson.....
1927.....	Elk.....	D. M. Wheeler	B. F. Wilcox.....	A. C. Hamby.....
1928.....	Watauga.....	D. M. Wheeler	B. F. Wilcox.....	B. F. Wilcox.....
1929.....	Sandy Flat.....	D. M. Wheeler	B. F. Wilcox.....	G. M. Watson.....
1930.....	Middle Cane.....	W. D. Ashley..	B. F. Wilcox.....	Finney Barnes.....
1931.....	Laurel Fork.....	W. D. Ashley..	B. F. Wilcox.....	B. F. Wilcox.....
1932.....	New Hopewell.....	G. M. Watson..	B. F. Wilcox.....	J. T. McGuire.....
1933.....	Yellow Hill.....	B. F. Wilcox...	Roy Keller.....	G. M. Watson.....
1934.....	Mt. Vernon.....	G. W. Gragg..	Roy Keller.....	R. H. Shore.....
1935.....	Grandmother Gap	G. W. Gragg..	Roy Keller.....	W. J. Cook.....
1936.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	G. W. Gragg..	Roy Keller.....	Carl Triplett.....
1937.....	Mt. View.....	B. F. Wilcox...	G. M. Watson.....	Raymond Hendrix..
1938.....	Watauga.....	Carl Triplett...	F. L. Hampton.....	W. D. Ashley.....
1939.....	Laurel Fork.....	Carl Triplett...	F. L. Hampton.....	W. J. Cook.....
1940.....	Bailey Camp.....	Carl Triplett...	F. L. Hampton.....	G. M. Watson.....
1941.....	Sandy Flat.....	Lee J. Church..	N. L. Harrison.....	Roy Keller.....
1942.....	New Hopewell.....	Lee J. Church..	N. L. Harrison.....	B. F. Wilcox.....
1943.....	Boones Fork.....	Lee J. Church..	N. L. Harrison.....	W. B. Bryant.....
1944.....	Watauga.....	N. L. Harrison	W. M. Brown.....	Frank Knight.....
1945.....	Laytown.....	N. L. Harrison	W. M. Brown.....	W. D. Ashley.....
1946.....	Mt. Vernon.....	G. M. Watson..	W. M. Brown.....	W. D. Ashley.....
1947.....	Yellow Hill.....	Theo Hendrix..	G. M. Watson.....	Roscoe Greene.....
1948.....	No Minutes, Manuscript lost at printers. Held with Doe Ridge Church			
1949.....	Mt. Paran.....	Theo Hendrix..	G. M. Watson.....	Roscoe Greene.....
1950.....	Rock Springs.....	Theo Hendrix..	N. L. Harrison.....	R. L. Barnes.....
1951.....	New Hopewell.....	Theo Hendrix..	N. L. Harrison.....	Barney Oliver.....
1952.....	Boones Fork.....	G. M. Watson..	J. Merritt Coffey...	W. J. Cook.....
1953.....	East Flats.....	Theo Hendrix..	G. M. Watson.....	R. L. Barnes.....
1954.....	Mt. Ephraim.....	Theo Hendrix..	G. M. Watson.....	Lloyd J. Culler.....
1955.....	Bailey Camp.....	Theo Hendrix..	G. M. Watson.....	W. J. Cook.....
1956.....	Laurel Fork.....	Theo Hendrix..	J. Merritt Coffey...	W. M. Brown.....
1957.....	Mt. Vernon and Sandy Flat.....	Theo Hendrix..	J. Merritt Coffey...	W. J. Cook.....
1958.....	Laytown and Rock Springs.....	Theo Hendrix..	J. Merritt Coffey...	Carson Eggers.....
1959.....	New Hopewell and Long Ridge.....	Carson Eggers..	J. Merritt Coffey...	W. J. Cook.....
1960.....	Mt. Paran and Boones Fork.....	Carson Eggers..	J. Merritt Coffey...	Wendell Critcher....

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES										Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss By Death, Transfer, ect.	Total Resident Members	Total Non- Resident Members	Grand Total	Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Titlers	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
1. Bailey Camp	R	1938	2 & 4	Walter Duke, R-5, Lenoir, N. C.										3	.....	3	46	33	79	1	.....	399.32
2. Boone's Fork	R	1872	2 & 4	Carson Eggers, R-1 Blowing Rock										1	1	1	55	42	97	1	.....	251.22
3. Doe Ridge	R	1894	1 & 3	John R. Green, Deep Gap										1	2	.....	30	25	55	1	.....	278.33
4. Laurel Fork	R	1855	1 & 3	W. J. Brackett, R-1 Sugar Grove										.....	3	5	.....	.....	129	.....	2	675.98
5. Laytown	R	1931	1 & 3	J. T. Laws, R-8, Lenoir										.....	.....	2	69	20	89	2	.....	200.00
6. Long Ridge	R	1945	1 & 2	Erby McKinney, Spruce Pine										.....	1	6	47	47	94	2	.....	480.00
			3 & 4											.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7. Mt. Epraim	R	1876	2 & 4	Ben Triplett, Wilkesboro										7	7	3	.....	.....	218	1	.....	518.71
8. Mt. Paran	R	1886	1 & 3	Roscoe Greene, Granite Falls										5	.....	.....	.....	.....	119	1	.....	679.08
9. Mt. Vernon	R	1866	1 & 3	Wendell Critcher, R-4, Boone										10	4	8	222	108	330	1	10	1,225.22	
10. Mt. View	R			No. Report										.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. New Hopewell	R	1870	1 & 3	Marvin Smith, R-2, Newland										.....	.....	3	61	55	116	2	.....	143.97
12. Rock Springs	R	1891	2 & 4	Roby McNeill, Wilkesboro										6	.....	.....	40	30	70	1	.....	337.86
13. Rock View	R	1923		No. Report										.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Sandy Flat	R	1928	1 & 3	Clyde Cornett, Reese										.....	.....	4	45	45	90	1	2	287.83
15. Watauga	R	1	& 3	R. C. Cook, R-8, Lenoir										.....	.....	3	.....	.....	129	2	.....	408.89
16. Yellow Hill	R	1850	2 & 4	Fred Blevins, R-2, Wilkesboro										14	4	4	99	85	184	2	.....	341.68
				Totals										47	22	42	714	490	1799	18	14	6,228.09	

Table C TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES										General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up					
1. Bailey Camp													
2. Boone's Fork													
3. Doe Ridge													
4. Laurel Fork	4	.....	9	7	.....	.....	20	.....	1	41	17	
5. Laytown													
6. Long Ridge													
7. Mt. Ephraim													
8. Mt. Paran													
9. Mt. Vernon	3	4	11	12	14	6	.....	25	.....	77	33	
10. Mt. View													
11. New Hopewell													
12. Rock Springs													
13. Rock View													
14. Sandy Flat													
15. Watauga													
16. Yellow Hill													
Total	7	4	20	19	14	6	20	25	1	148	74		

Table F WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES												
CHURCHES	Sunbeam Units	G.A. Units	W.M.S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	W.M.S. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations			
1. Bailey Camp												
2. Boone's Fork												
3. Doe Ridge												
4. Laurel Fork	1	1	1	3				13	2			
5. Laytown			1					7	7			
6. Long Ridge												
7. Mt. Ephraim												
8. Mt. Paran	1	1	1	3	27	15	16	58	7			
9. Mt. Vernon												
10. Mt. View												
11. New Hopewell												
12. Rock Springs												
13. Rock View			1					8	8			
14. Sandy Flat									2			
15. Watauga												
16. Yellow Hill												
Totals	2	2	4	6	27	15	31	86	11			

Table H TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES		TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES					Total Receipts for All Purposes	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Salaries	Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenditures
1. Bailey Camp	Ransom Harmon, R-8, Lenoir	.....	1,024.08	399.32	157.30	384.49	941.11					
2. Boone's Fork	Mrs. C. E. Coffey, Blowing Rock	.....	770.74	251.22	44.14	588.33	632.47					
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, R-2, Boone	515.13	448.25	278.33	.....	148.60	426.93					
4. Laurel Fork	Fae Storie, R-4, Boone	1,324.96	1,324.96	675.98	.....	466.99	1,142.97					
5. Laytown	Mrs. Frits Dula, R-5, Lenoir	825.50	745.50	200.00	.....	483.00	683.00					
6. Long Ridge	Coy Woody, Jonas Ridge	.....	2,043.00	480.00	.....	1,563.00	2,043.00					
7. Mt. Ephraim	Bob Hodges, Triplett	1,169.66	1,169.66	518.71	.....	552.95	1,071.66					
8. Mt. Paran	Russau Watson, Deep Gap	.....	1,359.17	679.08	.....	620.41	1,309.49					
9. Mt. Vernon	Allen W. Beach, R-4, Boone	5,729.49	5,469.21	1,225.22	.....	3,085.13	4,726.35					
10. Mt. View	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. New Hopewell	Edith Barnes, Star Rt., Lenoir	281.83	255.65	143.97	.....	.....	240.65					
12. Rock Springs	John W. Dawson, R-2, Ferguson	.....	474.84	337.86	.....	136.98	474.84					
13. Rock View	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Sandy Flat	Lloyd E. Coffey, R-1, Blowing Rock	.....	889.15	287.83	.....	422.97	710.80					
15. Watauga	Mrs. Jeffery R-1, Banner Elk	.....	606.69	408.89	.....	119.00	527.89					
16. Yellow Hill	Mrs. Eugenia Beshears, R-1, Purllear	993.23	832.05	341.68	.....	490.37	832.05					
Totals		10,839.80	17,412.95	6,228.09	201.44	9,062.22	15,763.21					

Table 1 MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Designated Children's Home	Designated Hospitals	Other Objects, Bible Society, Home for Aged	Total Mission Expenditures
1. Bailey Camp	Bob B. Tolbert, R-8, Lenoir	.....	25.53	.....	.....	.....	31.10	26.34	.....	82.97
2. Boone's Fork	J. Merritt Coffey, Blowing Rock	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.23	74.84	26.00	17.20	138.27
3. Doe Ridge	Kenneth Brown, R-2, Boone	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.32	11.00	.....	21.32
4. Laurel Fork	J. G. Storie, R-4, Boone	.....	28.42	.....	39.01	26.00	52.56	24.00	12.00	181.99
5. Laytown	Mrs. Nora Dillard, R-5, Lenoir	15.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.50	8.50	62.50
6. Long Ridge	Mrs. Myrtle Clark, Jonas Ridge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7. Mt. Ephraim	V. M. Greer, Triplett	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	52.00	29.00	.....	98.00
8. Mt. Paran	Russau Watson, Deep Gap	.....	.....	10.00	39.68	.....	.....	.....	.....	49.68
9. Mt. Vernon	Miss Winifred Hampton, R-4, Boone	103.58	47.61	28.50	79.75	224.10	195.00	45.50	18.82	742.86
10. Mt. View	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11. New Hopewell	Edith Barnes, Star, Rt., Lenoir	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00
12. Rock Springs	J. T. Woods, Ferguson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13. Rock View	No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14. Sandy Flat	Lloyd Coffey, R-1, Blowing Rock	.....	.....	15.10	29.60	38.67	28.50	19.48	47.00	178.35
15. Watauga	Jeffery Shook, R-1, Banner Elk	.....	.....	.....	3.80	.....	75.00	.....	.....	78.80
16. Yellow Hill	Barbara Church, R-4, B. 352, N. Wilkes.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals		134.08	101.56	53.60	191.80	326.00	509.32	219.82	103.12	1,519.74

